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The following prospectus of the Indian War Loan is published in a "Gazette of India" Extraordinary published yesterday.

I. WAR LOAN 1929—1947.

Issue Price: Rs. 95 per cent. payable as follows:

For fully paid allotments: Rs. 95 per cent. on application.

For instalment allotments: Rs. 15 per cent. on application and the balance in four monthly instalments of Rs. 20 per cent. each on the 15th day, or if that be a Sunday, on the 16th day, of the first, second, third, and fourth months succeeding that in which the application is made.

Interest: Rs. 5 per cent. per annum payable on the 15th February and the 15th August.

Date of Redemption.—If not previously redeemed, the War Loan 1929—1947 will be repaid at par on the 15th August, 1947: but the Government of India reserve to themselves the right to redeem the Loan or any part of it at par, on or after the 15th August, 1929, on giving three calendar months' notice in the "Gazette of India."

Sinking Fund.—For the purpose of providing against depreciation in the market price of the War Loan 1929—1947, the Government of India undertake to set aside annually a sum equal to one and one-half per cent. of the amount of the War Loan 1929—1947 to form a fund to be used for the purchase of securities of that loan for cancellation, whenever the market price falls below the issue price.

II. WAR BONDS 1920 AND WAR BONDS 1922.

(FREE OF INCOME TAX).

Issue Price: Rs. 100 per cent. payable as follows:

For fully paid allotments: Rs. 100 per cent. on application.

For instalment allotments: Rs. 20 per cent. on application and the balance in four monthly instalments of Rs. 20 per cent. each on the 15th day, or if that day be a Sunday, on the 16th day, of the first, second, third, and fourth months succeeding that in which the application is made.

Interest: Rs. 5½ per cent. per annum payable on the 15th February and the 15th August.

Date of Redemption: War Bonds 1920 are repayable on the 15th August, 1920, War Bonds 1922 on the 15th August, 1922.

III. POST OFFICE 5-YEAR CASH CERTIFICATES.

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These certificates may also be cashed at the Post Office of issue at any time during the five-year period at the rates prescribed in the Loan Notification.

FORM OF SECURITIES.

1. Securities in respect of War Loan 1929—1947, War Bonds 1920 and War Bonds 1922, will be issued at the option of the applicant (to be stated in his application) in the following forms—

(1) Inscribed Stock Certificate transferable by deed;

(2) Promissory Notes transferable by endorsement;

(3) Bearer Bonds transferable by delivery.

In the absence of any specified option, securities will, in the first instance, be issued in the form of Inscribed Stock Certificates.

INCOME-TAX.

2. Interest on War Bonds 1920 and War Bonds 1922 will be exempt from income-tax but not from super-tax.

Interest on War Loan 1929—1947 is not exempt from income-tax or super-tax, Income-tax will be levied in accordance with the provisions of Part III of the Second Schedule of the Income-tax Act.

CONVERSION RIGHTS.

3. For every Rs. 100 (nominal) of War Loan 1929—1947 taken up, the subscriber may convert Rs. 150 (nominal) of the 3 per cent., of any of the 3½ per cent. Rupee Loans, or of the 4 per cent. Conversion Loan, 1916-17, of the Government of India, and receive in lieu thereof War Loan 1929—1947 at the rate of—

Rs. 65 War Loan (nominal), for every Rs. 100 (nominal), of 3 per cent. loan converted.

Rs. 76 War Loan (nominal), for every Rs. 100 (nominal), of 3½ per cent. loan converted.

Rs. 92 War Loan (nominal), for every Rs. 100 (nominal), of 4 per cent. Conversion Loan converted together with such further amount of War Loan as may be required to make up an exact multiple of Rs. 100, subject to the payment in cash of this further amount less one anna in the rupee.

4. Conversion rights may be exercised at any time after the 1st November, 1917, but not later than the 15th January, 1918. Conversion warrants will be negotiable and will be issued in Bearer form.

5. Securities of War Loan 1929—1947 issued by conversion will bear interest from the 15th August, 1917. No interest will be paid separately in respect of the cash payments made under clause 8 above.

6. Holdings of War Loan 1929—1947, War Bonds 1920, and War Bonds 1922, do not carry any right of conversion into any future issue that may be made by the Government of India.

7. Applications for War Loan 1929—1947, War Bonds 1920 and War Bonds 1922 (other than applications through the Post Office) may be presented any day from Thursday, the 15th March 1917, to Friday, the 15th June 1917, to any of the following officers or persons:—

(1) The Controller of Currency, Calcutta, or any Provincial Accountant General or Comptroller,

(2) The Secretaries and Treasurers, Banks of Bengal, Bombay and Madras, at their Head Offices, or the Agents of these Banks at any Indian Branch, and

(3) Officers in charge of Government treasuries at district headquarters.

8. Applications must be for sums of Rs. 100 or multiples of that sum.

9. Applications for the sum of Rs. 100 only must in all cases be accompanied by full payment, namely, Rs. 95 in the case of War Loan 1929—1947, and Rs. 100 in the case of War Bonds 1920 and War Bonds 1922.

10. Applications for sums of Rs. 200 or more in War Loan 1929—1947, War Bonds 1920 or War Bonds 1922 may be either for:—

(a) Fully paid allotments, or

(b) Instalment allotments.

11. A commission of one-eighth per cent. will be allowed to recognised bankers and brokers on allotments made in respect of cash applications bearing their stamp, but this commission will not be allowed in respect of applications received through the Post Office, including applications for Post Office 5-year Cash Certificates, or in respect of applications for conversion.

Forms of application may be obtained from the Accountant General or any Bank or broker or any District Treasury.

POST OFFICE SECTION.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR APPLICATIONS THROUGH THE POST OFEICE.

12. Applications for War Loan 1929—1947, War Bonds 1920, and War Bonds 1922 will also be received at any Post Office authorised to transact savings bank business from Thursday, the 15th March 1917, to Monday, the 15th October 1917, from any person whether previously a depositor in the Post Office savings bank or not, subject to the conditions stated in the following clauses.

13. Applications through the Post Office must be for sums of Rs. 25 or any multiple thereof. The same person may not apply for or hold through the Post Office more than Rs. 22,500 in all under this Notification, of which not more than Rs. 7,500 may be in War Loan 1929—1947; not more than Rs. 7,500 may be in War Bonds 1920 and War Bonds 1922 singly or together; and not more than Rs. 7,500 may be in Post Office 5-year Cash Certificates—see clause 23.

Notes—(1) Applications through the Post Office under this Notification will be permitted irrespective of any holdings of other securities previously obtained through the Post Office.

(2) Amounts of War Loan 1929-47 obtained by conversion will not be taken into account in applying the above limits.

14. Amounts applying for must be paid in full with the application and are not payable in instalments. But the same person may present more than one application, provided his aggregate applications do not exceed the limits prescribed in clause 13.

15. The payments due as in the preceding clause may be made in either of the following ways or partly in each:—

(a) By transfer from any balance in cash standing at the credit of the applicant's savings banks account if he has one;

(b) By a payment in coin or currency notes, or by a crossed cheque drawn on a recognised Bank in favour of the Head Postmaster of the place at which such Bank is established.

16. Securities in respect of applications made through the Post Office will be issued either in the form of Promissory Notes or Stock Certificates. Securities thus issued may be left in the custody of the Accountant-General, Posts and Telegraphs.

17. Interest payable on War Bonds 1920 and War Bonds 1922 is exempt from income-tax. Securities of the War Loan 1929—1947 are specially exempted from income-tax if deposited with the Accountant General, Posts and Telegraphs, and for so long as they are so deposited.

18. An applicant for War Loan 1929—1947 through the Post Office will receive a negotiable Conversion warrant (together with forms of application for conversion) enabling him to exercise the rights specified in clause 3 above.

19. Conversion of securities of the 3 per cent., of any of the 3½ per cent. Rupee Loans or of the 4 per cent. Conversion Loan, 1916-17, will, subject to the cash payment, if any, referred to in clause 3, be effected by the Post Office in all cases in which the securities tendered for conversion are already in deposit with, or were originally purchased by the convertor through, the Accountant-General, Posts and Telegraphs, on presentation at any Post Office savings bank office, after the 1st November, 1917, and before the 15th January, 1918,

(a) Of the necessary Conversion warrants (whether obtained through the Post Office or not) and the form of application for conversion duly filled up; and

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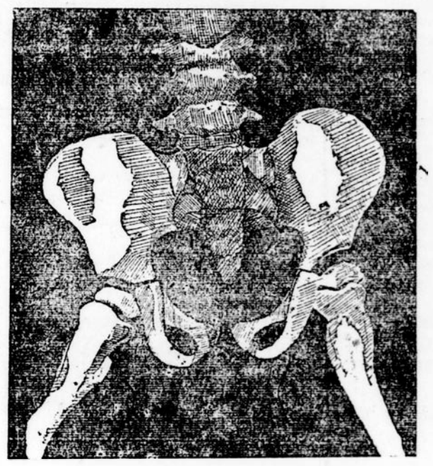

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PROSPECTUS.

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Rs. 2 per Share with Application.

Rs. 3 per Share on allotment.

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DIRECTORS:—

1. JOSEPH BAPTISTA, Esqr., B.A., LL.B., Bar-at-Law, Matharpakdi, Mazagaon, Bombay.—*Chairman.*
2. WAMANRAO DADAJEE RANE, Esqr., Landlord and Merchant, New Queen's Road, Bombay.
3. LACHIRAM CHELLARAM VADWA, Esqr., (Manager Messrs. Mohandas Lachiram & Co.,) Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.
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5. KESHAVLAL DEVSHANKAR, ACLARYA, Esqr., Merchant, Girgaon Road, Bombay.—(*Ex-Officio*).

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REGISTERED OFFICE:—

121, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay.

PROSPECTUS.

THIS Company has been formed for the purpose of manufacturing out of Tarpauling Canvas and other materials all foot-wear and fancy goods and thereby to supply cheap and durable substitutes for leather manufactured articles.

India has been for centuries deservedly famous as the land of the pious and the humane where any kind of pain or cruelty inflicted on sentient beings is looked upon with the greatest disfavour. Millions of Hindus and Jains regard it a sacrilege even to touch animal food and they severely set their faces against all kinds of sport involving cruelty to animals. Yet in this very land innumerable animals are slaughtered day after day not only for their flesh but also for their skins which render possible the enormous hide trade of the country. The export of hides to foreign countries from India amounts to lakhs of rupees every year. The local leather industry is also very extensive and when to this are added the vast quantities of boots, shoes, bags, trunks, stripes, belts, harnesses, purses and other leather goods imported into India it should cause no surprise that the total annual figures for these things should run into millions.

All this must necessarily involve an enormous amount of slaughter and religious minded people here will be ready to reduce the slaughter if they can do so. Many Hindus and Jains use wood, canvas and other material for household foot-wear, but economic laws are as inexorable as the laws of nature; and as long as decent good looking and durable substitutes for leather goods are not forthcoming it would be futile to expect that any amount of pious sentiment alone can reduce the output of the leather industry and the slaughter of animals which it involves.

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The Articles of Association provide that the qualification of a Director other than the *Ex-Officio* Director other is to be the holding of 100 Shares in the Company and the remuneration of a Director is to be Rs. 20 for every Meeting of the Board attended by him.

The right of voting at General Meetings is one vote for every share.

The estimated preliminary expenses are Rs. 2,500.

The minimum subscription on which Directors may proceed to allotment is 1,000 Shares.

The following contracts are intended to be entered into:—

(*a*) A contract expressed to be between the Company of the one part and the firm of Messrs. Rane & Co., of the other part whereby the said firm is to be appointed Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents of the Company upon terms and conditions and remuneration as provided in the said Agreement marked A and annexed to the Articles of Association.

(*b*) The Agreement intended to be entered into by the Company with the firm of Messrs. Rane and Company marked B and appended to the Articles of Association to allot 100 Shares to the Agents or their nominee as fully paid up Shares in consideration of their having promoted the floating of the Company.

Mr. Wamanrao Dadajee Rane one of the Directors and Mr. Keshavlal Devshankar *Ex-officio* Director are members of the firm of the Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents and they are entitled to their respective share in the remuneration payable to the firm of Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents. Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association and the Draft Agreements can be inspected at the Registered Office of the Company any time during business hours.

Prospectus and forms of application for Shares can be obtained at the office of the Company.

This Prospectus has been duly filed with the Registrar of the Joint-Stock Companies Bombay.

Dated this 26th of February, 1917.

JOSEPH DAPTISTA.
WAMANRAO DADJEE RANE.
LACHIRAM CHELLARAM VADWA.
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FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SHARES.

To

THE DIRECTOR OF

The Tarpauling Fancy Goods & Footwear Manufacturing Co., Ltd.

Bombay.

GENTLEMEN,

Having paid to the Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents of the Tarpauling Fancy Goods and Footwear Company, Limited, the sum of Rupees..... being a deposit of Rs. 2 per Share on.....Shares in the abovenamed Company, I/we request you to allot me/us that number of Shares upon the term of the Company's Prospectus, dated the ..... day of..... 1917, and I/we hereby agree to accept the same or any smaller number that may be allotted to me/us and to pay Rs. ..... at Rs. 3 per Share on allotment, and the balance when called upon as provided by the said prospectus: and I/we authorise you to register me/us as the holder of the said Shares.....

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MUNCHERSHAH N. CHANDABHOY,
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7256. Architect, etc.

NOTICE.

THE SUN MILLS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of THE SUN MILLS, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at No. 42-48, Church Gate Street, Fort, Bombay, on MONDAY, the 12th day of March, 1917, at 4 p.m. (S.T.), for the purpose of considering, and, if thought fit, of passing the following resolution, that is to say:—

"That THE SUN MILLS, LIMITED, be wound up voluntarily."

Should the above resolution be passed by the requisite majority, it will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution to a second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

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820 Fort, Bombay.

NOTICE OF SALE OF PROPERTY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. Rustom Pirozeshaw Modi of Bombay Parsi Inhabitant, has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to my client. Any person having any claim or interest in or to the said property by way of sale, mortgage, trust, lien, possession, gift inheritance, lease or otherwise is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at his office, opposite Small Causes Court, Khetwadi Main Road, Bombay and also to the Collector of Nasik, within 14 days from the date hereof otherwise the sale will be completed, without any regard to any such claim, and the same (if any) will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land or ground together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house, standing thereon and the furniture, pots, garden, plants, etc., lying thereon, situate lying and being at Bhagur Road, Deolali, within the Registration Sub-District of Nasik, containing by admeasurement 6100 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Nasik as part of Survey No. 348 and bounded as follows:—that is to say on or towards the North by vacant land, on or towards the South by the property of Edulji Nusserwanjee Dubash, on or towards the East by the Public Road leading to Bhagur village, and on or towards the West by vacant land, the property of Ruttonjee Jamshedjee Dubash.

K. N. WADIA,
Vakil for Purchaser.
Bombay, 24th February, 1917. 7193

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY.

IN INSOLVENCY.

NO. 110 OF 1917.

Re MUKUNDRAI KESHOWLAL of Bombay, Hindoo Inhabitant .....A Deceased Debtor.

EXPARTE: SORABJI BOMANSHA KAPADIA .....the Petitioning Creditor.

WHEREAS an order has been this day made under Section 108 of the Presidency Towns Insolvency Act 1909, (III of 1909) to administer the estate of the abovenamed Mukundrai Keshowlal deceased in Insolvency. It is ordertd that all the estate and effects of the said Deceased Insolvent do vest in the Official Assignee of this Honourable Court.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 1917.

R. B. PATEL,
Chief Clerk.

Chief Clerk's Office, High Court, Fort, Bombay this 2nd day of March, 1917.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KURSONDAS VASANJEE and MORARJI VASANJEE, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property. Any person having any claim or interest in or to the said property by way of sale, mortgage, equitable mortgage, trust, lien, possession, gift, inheritance, lease, or otherwise is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at No. 40, Medows Street, and to the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same if any will be considered as waived and null and void.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of redeemed Government land or ground together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house and premises erected and built thereon situate lying and being in Falkland Road, in the New town in the city of Bombay, containing by admeasurement on the East side fifty five feet on the West side fifty one feet and six inches on the North side eighteen feet and three inches and on the South side thirty nine feet be the same little more or less and bounded as follows that is to say on or towards the East by the said Falkland Road on or towards the West by the house of Oomaji Suntooji on or towards the North by the first Carpenter Street and on or towards the South by the public passage and assessed by the Collector under Old Nos. 1708 and 3113 Collectors New Nos. 8830 Old Survey Nos. 484 and 4456 New Survey No. 5166 and assessed by the Collector of Municipal Taxes under Ward C No. 6568 Street Nos. 107, 109 and 18, 20, 22, 24, 26.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 1917.

RAGHAVAYYA NAGINDAS & Co.,
7269. Purchaser's Attorneys.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bibi Rukhia Sultan, widow of Aga Mahomed Mirza, Jehanara Begum, wife of Aga Syed Jalal, Zibanda Begum, wife of Aga Mirza Mahomed Ismail, Mariam Begum wife of Cazim C. Tyabji and Aga Abbas Mirza have contracted to sell to our client the hereditaments and premises described in the Schedule hereunder written. All persons having any claims against or upon the said premises either by way of inheritance, will, gift, lease, lien, mortgage, trust or otherwise howsoever should make the same known to the undersigned at their office at Mercantile Bank Building, Esplanade Road, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise they will be precluded from making the same and the sale will be completed without reference to such claims, if any, which shall then be deemed to have been waived.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO:

ALL that piece or parcel of Quit and ground rent tenure land or ground together with the messuage tenement or dwelling houses standing thereon, situate at Ali Comar Street in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, and containing by admeasurement 391.35 square yards or thereabouts and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 916 and 917, New No. 8086 and 8087, Old Survey No. 1959 and 1960 and New Survey No. 1/1165 and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under C Ward No. 6047 and 6048 and Street No. 4 and 6 and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the North by the property belonging to Haji Ahmed Mistry on or towards the South by the property of Haji Tarmahomed Ahmed on or towards the East by the Ali Comar Street aforesaid and on or towards the West by a swweeper's passage.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 1917.

PAYNE & Co.,
7268. Purchaser's Attorneys.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that UMER CASSUM, HASSUM CASSUM, AHMED CASSUM, JOOSAB CASSUM and MUSSA CASSUM all of Bombay Memon Mahomedan inhabitants have contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property. Any person or persons having or making any claim against the said property, by way of sale, mortgage, transfer, lease, exchange, gift, trust, inheritance possession, lien, or otherwise howsoever is or are requested to make the same known in writing to us at our office at No. 9, Bell Lane, Fort within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same if any shall be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of redeemed Faras land or ground with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate lying and being at or near the Ripon Road, in the Town and Island of Bombay, in the registration sub-district of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 470 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 135 and 524, New No. H/13645 Old Survey Nos. 268 and 270 and New Survey No. 34-35/3554 and in the books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under E. Ward Nos. 3877(24) and 3877(25) and street Nos. 64-W and 64-X and which said premises are bounded as follows that is to say on or towards the East by a Public passage on or towards the West by the property of Byramji Jeejeebhoy or towards the north by the property of Rahimabai widow of Haji Haroon Mahomed and on or towards the south by the property of Devidas Purshotamdas and which said premises are now in the occupation of the tenants of the vendors.

Dated this 28th day of February 1917.

MATUBHAI JAMIETRAM & MADAN.
7257 Purchasers' attorneys.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT CALCUTTA.

MATRIMONIAL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 3 of 1917.

EMLIN MAUD WICKWAR.....Petitioner.

vs.

J. A. N. WICKWAR alias A. JOSEPH..... Respondent.

WHEREAS the above named petitioner Emlin Maud Wickwar, residing at No. 22, Gope Lane, Entally in the suburbs of the town of Calcutta has presented her petition in this Court on the 6th day of February, 1917, against you praying for a Decree for dissolution of her marriage with you the Respondent above named on the grounds of cruelty and adultery and for custody of children you the Respondent above-named are hereby required to cause an appearance be entered in the office of the Registrar of this Court within 20 days from the publication of this notice and that you the said Respondent are further required to file your answer if you have any to the said petition within 35 days from the date of the publication of this notice either in person or by an attorney of this Court and that in default of your causing an appearance to be entered within the time aforesaid the suit will be heard exparte against you.

Dated the 10th day of February, 1917.

(Sd.) N. CHATTERJEE.
7261 Master.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. RANCHHORDAS TRIBHOVANDAS has contracted to sell to our client free from encumbrances all and singular the piece or parcel of land with the messuages thereon situate at Bora Bazar, within the Fort of Bombay, more particularly described in the schedule hereunder written.

Any person or persons having or claiming to have any estate, right, title, interests, or claim in to or upon the said piece of land hereditaments and premises or any part thereof by way of inheritance, mortgage, gift, sale, lease, under lease, lien, charge or otherwise howsoever is or are hereby required to make the same known in writing to us, the undersigned at our office at Esplanade Road within the Fort of Bombay, within 14 days from date hereof, otherwise at the expiration of the said period the said purchase shall be completed without reference to any such claim or claims and the same if any shall be considered to have been absolutely waived.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground with messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate on the Eastern side of the Bora Bazar Street in the registration sub-district of Bombay in the town of Bombay containing by admeasurement 110 3/9 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 772, New No. 3428, Old Survey No. 870 and New Survey No. 8672 and in the books of the Collector of Municipal assessment under Ward A No. 2252 and Street Nos 281-283 and bounded as follows:—That is to say on or towards the East by the property of Ruttonsey Karsondas on or towards the West by the said Bora Bazar Street on or towards the North by the property of the said Ruttonsey Karsondas and on towards the South by the property of Mowji Sunderji.

Dated this 1st day of March, 1917.

MADHAVJI, KAMDAR & CHHOTUBHAI,
7258 Purchaser's Attorneys.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that TEMURAS DORABJI KAPADIA, of Bombay Parsi Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. Any person having any claim in or to the said property or any part thereof, by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lease, lien, easement or otherwise is hereby required to make the same known in writing to us at our Office No. 14 K, Hummum Street, Fort, Bombay, and to the Assessor of Municipal Rates and Taxes within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same will be considered as waived.

All that piece or parcel of Leasehold land or ground being Plot No. 16 Gamdevi estate of the City of Bombay Improvement Trust together with the messuage or dwelling house standing thereon situate at Gamdevi without the Fort of Bombay in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay containing by admeasurement 438 sqsare yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue with other land under New Survey No. 7335 and bounded on the East by Plot No. 18 the property of Dr. Bhicaji Ghaswalla on the West by the Tejpal Road on the North by Plot No. 15 the property of Joosab Mahomed Dama and on the South by Plot No. 17 the property of Dr. Bhicaji Ghaswalla which said premises are assessed by the Assessor of Municipal Rates and Taxes under D Dard No. 2882 A/4 and Street No. 2C Tejpal Road and were formerly vacant and are now in the occupation of the tenants of the Vendor.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 1917.

MERWANJI KOLA & CO.,
7266 Purchaser's Attorneys.

SALE BY AUCTION

BENNETT & CO.

NO. 22, APOLLO STREET, FORT.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY AT 4TH KAMATIPURA SEREET.

Suit No. 505 of 1915.

Jairam Jaloji and ors. ..... Plaintiffs.

vs.

Kuppa Dolla and Co., ... Defendants.

Under instructions from Messrs. Mehta Dalpatram and Laljee, Attorneys for the defendants abovenamed, and in pursuance of the authority contained in the consent decree dated 26th June 1916 in the above-mentioned suit Messrs. BENNETT & Co., will THIS DAY SATURDAY, the 3rd instant at 5 p.m., (S.T.), sell by Public Auction, on the premises, the following immoveable property:—

All that piece or parcel of land or ground of quit and ground rent tenure with the messuage, tenement and dwelling house standing thereon situate lying and being at 4th Kamatipura Street outside the Fort of Bombay in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 3731 and 3732, New No. 10436, Old Survey No. 3310 and 3311, New Survey No. 6039 containing by admeasurement 76 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Municipal F Ward No. 1355 and Street No. 8 and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on or towards the East formerly by the house of Yenoo Ellappa Kamati and now o Ganaram Lingoo, on or towards the West formerly by the house of Lingoo Krishna Kamati and now of Ushnna Laxman Taidal, on or towards the North by the 4th Kamatipura Street aforesaid and on or towards the South by a sweeper's passage and beyond that by the house of Raju Babaji and which said premises and hereditaments are now in the occupation of the Plaintiffs and their tenants.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale application may be made to Messrs. Mehta Dalpatram and Laljee, Attorneys for the Defendants at their office in No. 121, Medows Street, Fort or to the undersigned.

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Bombay, 3rd March, 1917.

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY, SITUATE AT DHARAVI, NEAR SION.

Under instructions from Messrs. Malvi, Hiralal, Mody and Ranchordas, Attorneys for the mortgagee Mr. Ramdeo Motilal Garodia, Messrs. MEHTA and Co., Auctioneers, will put up for sale by Public Auction on SUNDAY, the 4th day of March, 1917, at 4-30 p.m. (S. T.), on the premises the immoveable property described in the Schedule hereunder written on account and at the risk of the mortgagors Bai Chimabai, widow of Mahatarba Namajee and Parwatibai, widow of Shanker Yoogaji, under and by vritue of the power of sale, reserved to the said mortgagee in the Indenture of Mortgage, dated the 3rd day of June, 1914, made between the said mortgagors of the one part and the mortgagee of the other part.

PARTICULARS OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of Government Toka land or ground containing by admeasurement eight hundred and forty-seven square yards or thereabouts and bounded on the East partly by the ground of Manekjee Bhugat Parsee and partly by the property of Nagoo Jetha, on the west by the property of Babul Shimga, on the North by the property of Padman Boodia, and on the South by the property of Chandoo Mooljee and which said property is situated at Dharavi near Sion in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's old No. 41 New No. 15829 and New Survey No. 4-318 Municipal G Ward No. 7326 (7) Dharavi Road No. 1216 F and which is now in the possession of the Mortgagors and their tenants.

For further particulars, conditions of sale and inspection of title deeds etc., intending purchasers are requested to apply to Messrs. Malvi Hiralal Mody and Ranchordas at their Office a No. 79. Medows Street, Fort. or to the undersigned during business hours.

AUCTION SALE OF THE RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST OF THE MORTGAGORS IN A LANDED PROPERTY AT 10TH KAMATIPURA STREET.

Under instructions of the Transferee Messrs. MEHTA and Co., Auctioneers, will sell by Public Aucion at the premises on the 14th day of March 1917 at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.), the right, title and interest of the Mortgagors Fateh Mahomed Bhayejeebhai and Pulibai widow of Noor Mahomed Bhaijibhai and the said Fatsh Mahomed Bhaijibhai as the heirs and legal representatives of the said Noor Mahomed Bhaijibhai deceased in the undermentioned property on account and at the risk of the said Mortgagors, in exercise of the power of sale and all other powers in that behalf vested in the Transferee by an Indenture of Transfer of Mortgage bearing date the 8th day of October 1914 and made between Purka Dolla and others trading in the name, style and firm of Purka Dolla and Co., of the first part, the said Mortgagors of the second part and the Transferee of the third Part.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece of newly assessed land (but described in some of the earlier deeds as of the Quit and Ground tenure) together with the messuge, tenement or dwelling house situate, lying and being at Kamatipura 10th Street without the Fort and in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay containing by admeasurement 118 (one hundred and eighteen) square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 141 New No. 16707 Old Survey Nos. 4350, 4351 and 4352 and New Survey No. 1-6834 and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under E Ward No. 1875 Street Nos. 73-81 and bounded on the East by the property of Adamji Bhaijee, on the West by the Property of Sayajee Narsee, on the North by Sweeper's passage and on the South by the said Kamatipura 10th Street.

For further particulars and conditions of sale please apply to Messrs. Captain and Vaidya, Attorneys for the Mortgagee, at their office at No. 121, Esplanade Road, Fort, or to the undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF BRAND NEW SAFES.

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On WEDNESDAY, the 7th instant, at 2-30 p.m., (S.T.), Messrs. MEHTA & CO., will under instructions from Messrs. Tash & Co., sell by public auction at their rooms their well-known brand new safes consisting of the following very high class fire and burglar resisting bent Iron "Tosh" safes fitted with "Tosh special 8 Lever Locks" and secret contrivanced sovereign box and voucher drawer entirely suitable for office.

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Bombay, 3rd March, 1917.

CRAWFORD & CO.'S SALES.

WEEKLY SALE.

On MONDAY, the 5th day of March, 1917, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., will sell by public auction at their rooms No. 16, Apollo Street, opposite the Government Dockyard and next to the Great Western Hotel, Fort, horses, carriages and bicycles at 2 p.m. (S.T.), and new designed furniture and sundry articles at 3 pm. (S.T.)

Furniture such as blackwood rich carved specially made to order drawing room suites of sofas and chairs, single and doubble mirrored door handsome almyraths, cupboards, chairs, fancy teapoys, marble top tables, glassware, etc.

Under instructions from S. N. Gazder, Esq., the Liquidator of Messrs. Treacher & Co., Ld. (in liuqidation):—

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AT 2 P.M.
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1 Steel Wheel Landeau by Palkhiwala.

Under instructions from Messrs. Crawford Bayley & Co., Solicitors for W. H. Cardale, Esq., the administrator of the estate and effects of the late Mr. Benjamin Aitken, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., will sell by Public Auction on MONDAY, the 12th day of March, 1917, at 3 p.m. (S.T.), at their Auction Rooms, No. 16, Apollo Street, opposite the Government Dockyard, Fort, the effects of the said deceased, such as.

Silver watch and chain, books, wearing apparels, shoes, carpets, holdalls, handbags, camera, blankets, flutes, trunk, wooden boxes, empty bottles etc.

CRAWFORD & Co.,
Auctioneers.

Bombay, 3rd March, 1917.

SALE BY AUCTION

GANDHI & CO.

AUCTIONEERS & COMMISSION AGENTS.
No. 52 Medows Street.

AUCTION SALE OF RICH FURNITURE, AND 20 CASES TEA, ETC.

THIS DAY, SATURDAY, the 3rd March, 1917, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. GANDHI and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, No. 52, Medows Street, very rich furniture including rich silk tapestry and leather lined suites, single and double door almyrahs, glass and panel door cupboards, dressing chest of drawers, marble top tables, dressing tables, writing office and lady's tables, verandah benches, cane arm and armless office chairs, cane and leather lined arm easy chairs, reclining and half back sofas velvet lined rocking chair, bookshelves revolving book cases, bedsteads, tiled and plain teapoys, book cases, Curzon chairs, phonographs, records, etc., etc.

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THE WEATHER

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SIMLA, March 2.

The disturbance in north-west India has given a few falls of rain and snow in Baluchistan, north Punjab and the surrounding hills. A few light falls of rain are also reported from the extreme south of the peninsula Sonamarg had two inches, Srinagar one and Hanjgur a quarter".

Forecast:—Decrease of rain in Baluchistan and extension into United Provinces.

TEMPERATURE IN BOMBAY.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY COLABA.

Bombay, 1st March 1917

Means of observations taken at 6 a.m. 11 a.m. 9 p.m. 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.	
Barometer corrected to 31 deg Fahs....	29.812 Inches
Temperature of Air	81.6 Deg.
Wet Bulb Thermometer	72.0 ,,
Deg Point	67.8 ,,
Relative humidity of Air	0.633 ,,
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky Monday—10)	0 0 ,,
Maximum temperature of Air	91.4 ,,
Minimum ..... do.	71.7 ,,
General direction of Wind from midnight to midnight .....NE,ENE,WNW,NNW,NNE	
Movement of Wind do. do.	146 Miles

SUN, MOON AND TIDES AT BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and heights of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hour stated in Bombay Mean Time depth of water is at Prince's Dock:—

		HIGH WATER.				LOW WATER.				
Day of Week.	Day of Month	Bombay Mean time		Depth on Still.		Day of Month.	Bombay Mean time.		Depth on Still.	
	Mar.	h.	m.	ft.	in.	Mar.	h.	m.	ft.	in.
Fri	2	m	5	8	23	4	m	0	45	22 3
			8	22a	24	9		0	4a	19 2
Sat.	3	m	6	58	22	11	m	2	45	21 8
			9	26a	25	5		1	40a	19 3
Sun.	4	m	8	46	23	4	m	3	35	20 10
			10	3a	26	1		2	41a	18 11
Mon	5	m	9	38	24	2	m	4	6	20 0
			11	53a	26	8		3	33a	17 6
Tues.	6	m	10	16	25	1	m	4	32	19 1
			10	54a	27	3		4	5a	17 10
Wed	7	m	10	50	26	0	m	4	56	18 3
			11	17a	27	8		4	39a	17 4
Thur	8	m	11	22	26	9	m	5	20	17 6
			11	40a	28	0		5	12a	16 11

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset according to Indian Standard Time during the ensuing week:—

Mar.	Sunrise	Sunset
,, 2 (Friday)	,, 6h. 58m.	,, 6h. 44m
,, 3 (Saturday)	,, 6h. 57m.	,, 6h. 45m.
,, 4 (Sunday)	,, 6h. 56m.	,, 6h. 45m.
,, 5 (Monday)	,, 6h. 56m.	,, 6h. 46m.
,, 6 (Tuesday)	,, 6h. 55m.	,, 6h. 46m.
,, 7 (Wednesday)	,, 6h. 54m.	,, 6h. 46m.
,, 8 (Thursday)	,, 6h. 53m	,, 6h. 47m.

PHASES OF THE MOON:—

First Quarter	1917	Jan.	30th	6h.	31.6m. a.m.
Full Moon	1917	Feb	7th	8h.	58.4m. a.m.
Last Quarter		,,	15th	7h.	23.2m. a.m.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Friday, the 2nd March, 1917, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Rawalpindi reports 0.16 in. of rain. Skies are clear in the south-west Punjab and lightly or moderately clouded elsewhere. Temperature has fallen in the north and the east Punjab and is now in defect during the day in the extreme north.

The United Provinces.—Skies are lightly or moderately clouded. Day temperature has risen and is now generally in excess; night temperature is also above normal in the extreme north-western districts.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear in upper Sind and lightly or moderately clouded elsewhere. The air is damper than usual in Sind and north Rajputana. Temperature is normal in upper Sind but in excess over the rest of the division.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are generally clear. Temperature has risen and is now generally in excess during the day.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in defect. Temperature has risen but is still in defect in the southern half of the division.

The Konkan.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in defect. Day temperature has risen and is now 6 deg. to 12 deg. F. in excess.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are moderately clouded at Hyderabad and clear elsewhere. Humidity is in excess at Hyderabad and Poona and normal or in defect at the other stations. Night temperature is generally in defect; day temperature is also below normal in Hyderabad.

General Remarks.—Local rain has fallen in the north Punjab and south Malabar. The disturbed conditions in north-west India are advancing eastwards and cloud has increased in the United Provinces. Weather continues unsettled in the extreme south of the Peninsula and the south-west of the Bay of Bengal.

Some showers may occur in the east Punjab, east Rajputana, the United Provinces and the extreme south.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 a.m. on FRIDAY, the 2nd of March 1917.

STATIONS.	Temp. in Shade. Maximum of past 24 hours	Temp. in Shade. Minimum of past 24 hours	Humidity. 8 A. M.	Rainfall. Past 24 hours	Rainfall. Total, 1st Nov. to date.	Rainfall. Departure, 1st Nov. to date.
PERSIAN GULF—						
Bushire	..	..	..	..	..	..
Do. (1st Mar.)	61.7	50.4	71	..	7.53	—2.05
Jask	81.4	67.8	95	..	4.23	0.90
Muskat	86.5	74.6	79	..	3.05	0.22
Do (Mar.)	..	..	..	..	..	..
PUNJAB						
Multan	83.7	55.6	63	..	0.23	—0.90
Rawalpindi	64.5	46.6	86	0.16	0.88	—5.40
Lahore	81.4	52.4	60	..	0.12	—2.44
Hissar	84.3	55.1	50	..	0.57	..
Ambala	76.9	52.5	68	..	0.45	—4.23
Delhi	83.0	62.0	51	..	0.85	—1.51
UNITED PROVINCES—						
Agra	89.9	61.0	47	..	0.46	—0.87
Mainpuri	89.2	58.3	55	..	1.61	—0.39
Jhansi	92.1	57.8	38	..	2.14	0.61
Cawnpore	88.6	57.2	49	..	3.87	2.10
Allahabad	88.1	59.7	68	..	3.01	1.11
SIND AND RAJPUTANA						
Jacobabad	81.7	58.0	85	..	0.39	—0.49
Karachi	89.3	69.9	69	..	0.18	—1.05
Ajmer	86.2	61.6	54	..	0	—1.13
Jaipore	89.7	62.3	55	..	0.41	—0.73
Kotah	93.2	66.8	47	..	0.12	—0.68
Mount Abu	76.2	64.8	33	..	0.41	—0.61
GUJARAT, KATHIAWAR AND CENTRAL INDIA WEST—						
Bhuj	94.0	62.9	67	..	0.53	0.15
Dwarka	81.3	70.7	85	..	0	—0.64
Veraval	90.3	67.0	45	..	0	—0.44
Rajkot	96.0	58.7	52	..	0.02	—0.43
Bhavnagar Para	95.2	64.8	46	..	0	—0.45
Surat	97.1	62.5	51	..	0	—0.32
Ahmedabad	94.2	65.0	37	..	1.04	0.71
Deesa	96.8	62.0	46	..	1.15	0.68
Neemuch	90.1	58.0	40	..	0.13	0.41
Indore	90.3	56.8	36	..	1.76	0.90
CENTRAL PROVINCES—						
Jubbulpore	84.5	52.5	47	..	5.23	3.03
Saugor	86.6	61.4	27	..	3.06	1.12
Hoshangabad	88.1	63.4	61	..	4.66	3.09
Khandawa	94.7	66.2	29	..	1.68	0.63
Akola	91.9	63.3	37	..	4.57	2.96
Amraoti	90.3	62.8	26	..	4.11	2.33
Nagpur	88.1	65.0	48	..	5.47	3.62
Chanda	88.1	64.0	59	..	4.91	3.07
Raipur	85.8	58.4	47	..	6.18	4.63
KONKAN—						
Bombay	91.4	72.3	68	..	2.40	1.88
Ratnagiri	93.7	72.3	32	..	8.65	7.96
Marmugao	91.2	72.0	71	..	5.50	4.31
Panwar	94.7	65.0	75	..	9.68	7.75
BOMBAY DECCAN AND HYDERABAD—						
Malegaon	97.6	57.6	30	..	1.65	0.82
Ahmednagar	91.6	53.2	25	..	2.08	0.81
Poona	92.2	55.5	54	..	2.95	1.83
Sholapur	93.8	59.6	25	..	9.16	7.55
Bijapur	91.3	59.3	43	..	9.80	8.52
Belgaum	88.7	62.5	34	..	11.56	9.62
Aurangabad	91.5	58.3	34	..	2.05	0.85
Nizamabad (Indur)	88.9	57.8	41	..	3.21	1.89
Hyderabad	85.9	64.2	97	..	3.99	2.45
MALABAR AND CEYLON						
Mangalore	94.5	72.6	52	..	6.27	2.90
Calicut	88.3	74.7	85	..	6.20	—0.25
Cochin	91.5	76.7	62	..	5.64	—3.67
Colombo	82.1	72.1	90	0.11	20.02	—3.70
MADRAS (EXCLUDING MALABAR) AND MYSORE—						
Masulipatam	86.3	67.8	76	..	11.00	4.32
Bellary	92.3	65.7	69	..	5.73	3.46
Cuddapah	..	..	..	..	..	..
Madras	88.4	63.9	76	..	18.52	—1.74
Bangalore	85.8	60.4	74	..	11.10	7.38
Coimbatore	92.4	68.5	78	..	7.20	1.95
Trichinopoly	95.5	72.6	75	..	3.38	—5.46
Nagapatam	86.9	76.9	77	..	16.40	—12.74

STANDARD BAROMETER READING.

The following information is published in order that vessels in the Bombay Harbour may by comparison with a standard instrument ascertain the errors of their barometers:—

The reading of the Standard Barometer in the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 80 deg. F. and to the level of the tide, at 8-45 a.m., Standard Time, on the 2nd March 1917 was 30.046 inches. For temperature corrections applicable to mercurial barometer of ships the reading of the ship's barometer has to be increased or decreased by 0.31 inch for every 5 degrees according as the temperature of the attached thermometer is respectively below or above 80 deg. F. In case of the aneroid no temperature correction is needed. But for comparison at 80 deg. F. all aneroid readings should be increased by .138 inch. For correcting the ship's barometer either mercurial or aneroid for the height of the barometer cistern above the tide level in the stream at 8-45 a.m., Standard Time, the ship's barometer reading should be increased by .010 inch for every 10 feet of the height to make it comparable with the observatory barometer reading given.

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The Cathedral, St. Thomas the Apostle, Church Gate Street—Clergy: The Venerable C. M. Barham, Archdeacon. 7 a.m., Holy Communion; 7-45 a.m., Matins; 8-30 a.m., Holy Communion,—Choral—Merbecke. Hymns—528, 287, 313, 182; 5-30 p.m., Children's Service; 6-30 p.m., Evensong and Sermon. Preacher—Lord Bishop of Bombay. Canticles—Anthem. (Chants). Hymns—277, 279, 252. Collections for Cathedral High Schools. Daily Matins at 7-15 a.m. and Evensong at 4-45 p.m. Daily Holy Communion at 7-45 p.m. On Wednesdays, Evensong at 6-0 p.m. and at 6-30 p.m. Metrical Litany (Choral) and Sermon followed by War Litany. Preacher: Rev. W. Garrad.

Afghan Memorial Church, Colaba.—Chaplain Rev. R. L. Wormald; 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 10 a.m., Parade Service; 5-15 p.m., Sunday School; 6-30 p.m., Evening Service.

All Saints' Church Malabar Hill.—8 a.m., Matins; 8-30 a.m., Holy Communion; 6-30 p.m. Evensong.

St. Mary the Blessed Virgin, Parel.—Chaplain Rev. J. B. Glass. 8 a.m. Morning Prayer; 8-30 a.m. Holy Communion; 6-30 p.m., Evensong and Sermon, Preacher Rev. J. B. Glass.

Emmanuel Church, Girgaum.—Clergy: English—Rev. H. T. Vodden, M.A. (Incumbent), Rev. Canon R. S. Heywood, M.A., Rev. H. W. Lea-Wilson, M.A. Marathi—Rev. Canon D. L. Joshi and Rev. D. A. Yardi, B.A. Gujarati—Rev. L. Hari. English Services—8 a.m., Holy Communion; 6-30 p.m., Evening Prayer, and Sermon, Marathi Service 9 a.m. Gujarati Service, 2-30 p.m.

St. Paul's Kamatipura, (S. P. G.), Foras Road—7-0 a.m., Matins; 7-30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8-30 a.m., Holy Communion (Choral); 6-30 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

Christ Church, Byculla.—Chaplain Rev. W. A. Sawtell; 7-0 a.m., Matins; 7-30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8-30 a.m. Holy Communion (Choral); 5-15 p.m., Sunday School; 6-30 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

St. Nicholas Church, opposite Prince's Dock.—Chaplain (Vacant) 9-15 a.m., Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Evensong and Sermon—Week days: 9 p.m., Evening Prayer.

Holy Trinity Church, Hornby Road.—Clergy; Rev. A. E. Bradbury, 8 a.m., Matins and Litany; 8-30 a.m., Holy Communion; 6-30 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

Holy Cross Umarkhadi (Chapel of Ease to St. Peter)—Clergy: Rev. Fr. Moore. Rev. H. Lord and Rev. J. Londhe; 6-30 a.m., Holy Communion (English) 7-30 a.m., Holy Communion (Marathi); 9 a.m. Matins (Gujarati); 6-30 p.m., Evensong and Sermon (Marathi).

St. Peter's, Mazagon.—6-30 a.m., Holy Eucharist; 7-15 a.m., Matins and Litany; 8-0 a.m., Choral Eucharist and Sermon; 10-30 a.m., Children's Service; 6-30 p.m., Evensong and Sermon. Alms for Jamsedji Hospital Nursing Fund.

PRESBYTERIAN.

Ambroli Presbyterian Church, Girgaum Back Road.—Minister: Rev. M. B. Nicambe English Service, 8-30 a.m., Evening Service in Marathi 5 p.m.

METHODIST.

Taylor Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church Clare Road, Byculla, Pastor Rev. W. E. Bancroft, 8-30 a.m, Sunday School; 9-15 a.m., Morning Service; 6-30 p.m. Evening Service; 8-30 p.m., Men's Social Hour in Union Hall.

Bowen Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church Lansdowne Road, Apollo Bunder.—Pastor Rev. H. Ingham, 9-45 a.m., Sunday School 11 a.m., Morning Service; 6-30 p.m., Evening Service, A cordial welcome to all.

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St. Andrew's Church, (Church of Scotland) Apollo Street, Fort.—Senior Chaplain Rev. J. Drummond Gordon, B.D., 9-30 a.m., Joint Service with United Free Church of Scotland; 5-15 p.m., Sunday School; 6-30 p.m., Evening Service.

United Free Church of Scotland, Waudby Road.—Chaplain: Rev. R. M. Gray. 9-30 a.m., United Service in St. Andrew's Church. 5 p.m. Sunday School and Bible Classes; 6-30 p.m., Evening Service and Holy Communion.

WESLEYAN.

Wesleyan Church, Victoria Gardens.—9 a.m. Morning Service; Preacher: Rev. E. Hart; 6-30 p.m., Evening Service, Preacher: Rev. T. H. Sheriff, 5 p.m., Sunday School and Morning Service, Preacher: Rev. T. H. Sheriff: 6-30 p.m., Evening Service. Preacher: Rev. Frank Hart; Sunday School at 3 p.m.

Wesleyan Marathi Mission (Minister Rev. S. Rahator)—8-15 a.m., Byculla: 4-30 p.m. Elphinstone Road, Parel; 6-30 p.m., Elphinstone Road, Parel (Tamil and Telagu Service).

CONGREGATIONAL.

American Mission Church.—Hume Memorial Church, New Nagpada Road, Byculla.—Pastor Rev. John Malelu. 9 a.m., Sunday School; 10 a.m., Sunday School Teachers Class; 3-45 p.m., Gospel Spreading Society; 5 p.m., Afternoon Service; Prayer Meeting on Friday at 8-30 p.m., Agripada; 9 a.m., Sunday School; 5 p.m., Afternoon Service, Preacher: Rev. S. G. Gaikwad.

BAPTIST.

Baptist Church (opp. Post Office), Middle Colaba.—Minister Rev. E. P. Blackaby. 9 a.m., Morning Service. Preacher Rev. R. M. Gray, M.A. of the United Free Church. 6-30 p.m., Evening Service. Preacher: Rev. W. J. Mowll of the B. and F. Bible Anxiliary. Sunday School from 5 to 6 p.m.

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The Holy Name, Wodehouse Road.—Clergy: The Jesuit Fathers. Masses 6 a.m., 8 a.m., and 9 a.m., Evening Service, 6-30 p.m.

St. Anne's, Byculla.—Clergy: The Jesuit Fathers. Masses, 6-30 a.m., 7-30 a.m., and 8-30 a.m., Evening 6-30 p.m.

Church of Our Lady of the Rosary, Mazagon.—Masses 5-30 a.m., 7 a.m., and 8-30 a.m. Evening Service 6 p.m.

Cavel Church, (Our Lady of Health).—Vicar: Rev. M. D'Sa. Masses 7 and 8-30.

Mount Mary's Chapel, Bandra Hill, Bandra.—9-30 a.m. Mass.

Church of St. Francis Xavier, Dabul (Burrow's Lane), Giraum Road.—Vicar: Rev. Fr. J. N. Coutinho. 5-30, 6-30, 7-30 and 10-30 a.m., Masses; 6 p.m. Benediction.

St. Theresa's Chapel. Girgaum Tram Terminus.—Chaplain Rev. D. Remedios. 6-30 a.m. Mass; 5-30 p.m. Evening Service.

Chapel of Our Lady of Dolours, New Sonapur.—Chaplain Rev. Daniel X Fernandes. Masses at 6 and 8 a.m., with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

St. Joseph's, Colaba.—8 a.m. Mass and Sermon; 6-30 p.m. Service and Benediction.

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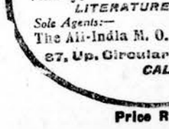

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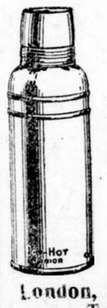

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COMMERCIAL.

CABLE QUOTATIONS.

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL COTTON.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

Liverpool, Feb. 28th.

		Bales
Total Day's Sales at Liverpool		7,000
" " Sales on Spec. & for Exp.		1,000
" " Sales of East Indian		300
" " Imports		10,000
Mid. Americans		11.60 - 17
Egyptian F. G. F.		22.65 Unchgd.

New York 11 a.m. (As known in Liverpool at closing time.)

March	16.39 +36
May	16.67 +21
March	16.46 +26
May	16.26 +22

New Orleans 10 a.m.

OPENING TONE AND PRICES.

Liverpool, Feb. 28th.

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES:—

Months.	To-day's opening price.	
February	11.25	+18
Feb.-Mar.	11.17	
Mar.-Apl.	11.10	+16
Apl.-May	11.05	
May-June	10.99	+15
June-July	10.94	+16
July-Aug	10.85	+14
Aug.-Sept.	10.60	
Sept.-Oct.	10.24	+ 9
Oct.-Nov.	10.12	
Nov.-Dec.	10.02	
Dec.-Jan.	9.97	+12
Jan.-Feb.	9.94	
Feb.-Mar.	9.94	

Prices taken at 10-10 a.m. nearest actual values

CLOSING PRICES.

Liverpool, Feb. 28th.

Months.	To-day's closing price	
February	11.18	+11
Feb.-March	11.09	+10
March-April	10.93	
Apl.-May	10.88	—1
May-June	10.83	
June-July	10.75	
July-Aug	10.68	—3
Aug.-Sept.	10.43	
Sept.-Oct.	10.09	
Oct.-Nov.	9.94	
Nov.-Dec.	9.84	—6
Dec.-Jan.	9.79	
Jan.-Feb.	9.75	
Feb.-Mar.	9.75	—7

CLOSING EGYPTIAN FUTURE PRICES.

Liverpool, Feb. 28th.

Months.	To-day's price.	
March	21.10	
May	19.85	—30
July	19.40	

ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS.

Liverpool Feb. 28th.

M. G. Bengal Good	8.77	
" " Fully Good	8.97	
" " Fine	9.20	
" No. 1 Oomra Good	9.47	
" " " Fully Good	9.65	
" " " Fine	9.90	+20
" Broach Good	10.69	
" " Fully Good	10.97	
" " Fine	11.05	
" Scinde Good	8.62	
" " Fully Good	8.80	
" " Fine	9.05	

AMERICAN MARKETS.

New York, Feb. 27th.

Day's Receipts at all U. S. Ports		12,000
" Exports to Great Britain		6,000
" " to Continent		8,000

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Futures at New York March		16.91 +54
" May		16.74 +38
Spot Cotton at New York		17.05 + 50
" New Orleans		16 75
Futures at New Orleans March		16.63 + 51
" May		16.42 - 45
Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality)		9½
Demand Bills		4.75.35
Silver Commercial Bars		77

New York, Feb. 28th

Day's Receipts at all U S Ports	12,000

MONEY MARKET.

London, Feb. 27th.

Bar Silver Spot	37 1/2
Closing Tone of Silver:—Steady	
Discount, Bank of England Rate 5½ per cent. since 18th ultimo.	
Discount Bank Bills 3 m/st	5½
Discount Indian Bank Bills 6 m/st	5½
" Fine Trade Bills 3 months	5½
" " " 6 "	5½
Interest day to day loans	4½
" 7 day market loans	4½
Consols 2½%	52½ Unchgd.
Rupee Paper 3½ %	43
Indian Stock 3½ % Sterling Loan	63½ +½
Government Securities 3%	54½
Ex. On London at Paris Francs	27.80 Unchgd.

THE MAILS

London, Feb. 27th.

The Bombay Mails have been delivered here to-day.

WAR LOANS.

London, Feb. 27th.

3½% 1925—1928	84½ Unchgd.
4½% 1925—1945	91 +1

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

London, Feb. 27th.

WHEAT.
SOUTH AMERICAN.

Rozario Santa Fe—61½ lbs. Afloat	89/9

AUSTRALIAN

South Australian Value	82

BARLEY.

Karachi Barley Afloat Sellers	70

SEEDS

Rapeseed, Ferozepore usual Bold Jan.-Feb. quoted but not offered	96
Rapeseed, Brown, Cawnpor 416 lbs ex Ship Jan.-Feb. Sellers. Very firm	100
Toria Rapeseed Feb.-Mar. Nominal	95

LINSEED

Linseed Bombay per 416 lbs. ex-Ship small grain Afloat very firm	111
Linseed Calcutta Feb.-Mar. Sellers	112/6

METALS.

English best Selected Copper	146
Standard Copper G.M.G. Nominal	£139½

FREIGHT.

Coals:—Cardiff to Bombay Canal —Nominal

JAVA SUGAR.

Raw Java Nos. 16/18 C. & F. Calcutta, Feb.-Mar.	22 6
Raw Java, C & F. Bombay Feb.-Mar.	22/9
do. do. Karachi Feb. Mar.	22/10
Fine White Java, C. & F. Calcutta Feb.-Mar.	24/9
Fine White Java C. & F. Bombay Feb. Mar.	25
do. do Karachi Feb.-Mar.	25/1

RUBBER.

Para Rubber Fine Hard Cure Feb.-Mar. Value	3/4
Plantation First Latex Crepe April-June	3/2

BOMBAY MARKETS.

COTTON.

(From our Commercial Correspondent.)

BOMBAY, Mar. 2.

M. G. Good Broach at Colaba opened at Rs. 391 and ruled steady with small fluctuations:—

M. G. Fine Bengal is steady and some business is reported in the bazaar. In other qualities there is very little doing.

Ready Cotton is in moderate demand.

Quotations are:—

M. G. Good Broach at 391.
M. G. Fully Good Bengal 283.
M. G. Khamgaum Akola 364.

APPROXIMATE QUOTATIONS AT MID-DAY.

Bombay, Mar. 2nd.

Description.		Delivery Mar. 1917	April 1917	Spot Cotton
Broach,	Good M.G.	..	391	..
Broach,	Fine M.G.	200 2	337	New
Bengal,	F.G. M.G.	233/4	..	280/90
Bengal,	Fine M.G.	291 2	..	290/00
Bengal,	Superfine M.G.	..	..	305/10
Rajputana,	Fine M.G.	..	..	287/97
Sind Panjab,	Fine M.G.	294	..	290/00
Kham. Akola	Fine M.G.	364	..	345/60
Ellich/Amraoti,	Fine M.G.	..	..	345/65
Dhamg./Pulgaon,	Fine M.G.	..	..	355/70
Yeotmal,	Fine M.G.	..	..	360/72
Nagpore,	Fine M.G.	..	..	365/75
Hingt./Wardha,	Fine G.M.	..	..	370/80
Khandeish,	Fine M.G.	361	..	330/40
Khandeish,	F.G. M.G.	322	..	305/20
Khandwa Sanawad,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	305/20
Jalna	F.G. M.G.	..	..	335/45
Indore,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..
Ujjain,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..
Nander,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	395/05
Mathia,	Fine M.G.	..	..	335/45
Mathia,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	325/35
SawGinned Dharwar	Good Oct.	..	..	..
Coompta,	Good M G	..	..	..
Westerns,	Good M G	..	..	..
Westerns,	Good H G	..	..	..

TOTAL RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY AS COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS YEAR DURING THE SAME PERIOD.

Growths.	1916-17.	1915-16.	Difference.
Khandesh	191,221	261,625	— 70,404
Central India	79,419	81,070	— 1,651
Barsi & Nagar	73,084	170,405	— 97,321
Berar	272,765	455,177	— 182,412
Central Provinces	64,490	114,797	— 50,307
Compta & Dharwar	21,501	52,580	— 31,079
Northerns-Westerns	11,112	30,132	— 19,020
Coconada	8,815	9,508	— 69
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	5,040	13,144	— 8,104
Dhollera	87,272	50,318	+ 36,954
Broach	892	55,660	— 54,768
Rajputana	77,646	40,233	+ 37,413
N. W. Prov.	249,141	272,267	— 23,126
Sind-Punjab	165,350	138,982	+ 26,368
Persian	102	410	— 308
American	3	..	+ 3
Egyptian	184	634	— 450
Other Sorts	6,521	2,081	+ 4,440
Total	1,314,558	1,749,023	— 434,46

THE BOMBAY COTTON EXCHANGE CO., LD.

Market Quotation for Ready and Forward Delivery Contracts as fixed by the Rate Committee of the Exchange.

COLABA 2nd March, 1917, 5-30 p.m.

Growths.	Super-fine	Fine	Fully Good	Delivery
Bengals (M G)	303	293	283	.. Ready
Bengals (M G)	..	295	283	.. 25th Mar. 17
Seinde-Punjab (M G)	..	295	285	.. Ready
	..	..	..	.. 25th Mar. 17
Khandesh (M G)	..	354	326	.. Ready
	..	385	328	.. 25th Mar. 17
Jalna (M G) G S	..	..	345	.. Ready
Barsee (M G) G S	..	..	368	.. Ready
Oomra M.G. (Fair-Staple.)	..	..	..	..
Akola Khaing.	..	363	345	.. Ready
Karanja(M.G.)	..	365	347	.. 25th Mar. 17
Oomrawatee descriptions (M.G.)	..	363	345	.. Ready
	..	362	344	.. 25th Mar. 17
Dhamangaum	..	367	350	.. Ready
Poolgaum (M.G.)	..	368	357	.. 25th Mar. 17
Yeotmal (M.G.)	..	372	354	.. Ready
	..	374	356	.. 25th Mar. 17
Nagpore	..	375	357	.. Ready
Kampti M.G.)	..	378	360	.. 25th Mar. 17
Wardha H'ghat (M.G.)	..	377	359	.. Ready
	..	380	362	.. 25th Mar. 17
Broach (M.G.)	..	392	..	.. Ready New
	..	397	..	.. 25th Mar 17
	..	394	..	391 25th Apl. 17
Wadhwan (M.G.)	..	415	400	.. Ready New
Viramgaum	..	403	388	.. Ready New
Kandy (H.G.)	..	..	..	..
Mathia	..	345	335	.. Ready
	..	342	334	.. 25th Mar. 17
Bhagalkote Bijapur (M.G.)	..	..	..	404 April/May 17
Sawgd. Dharwar	..	..	..	406 April/May 17
Westerns (M.G.)	..	..	..	399 May/June 17
Westerns (H.G.)	..	..	..	389 May/June 17
Compta (M.G.)	..	..	..	..
Mixed M.G.)	..	..	..	410 April/May 17
	..	..	..	412 April/May 17

WHEAT AND SEEDS.

The following are to-day's closing rates as issued by the Marwari Chamber of Commerce

Bombay, March 2nd—4 p.m.

Ready.	Bazaar Terms. Rs. a. p.	Rail. Delivery. Rs. a. p.
Wheat, White Delhi 70-30'	45 8 0	6 11 6
" White Cawnpore 70-30	45 8 0	6 11 6
" Karachi Bangla	46 0 0	6 14 6
Rapeseed, Brown Delhi	6 4 0	6 10 0
" Brown Cawnpore	6 4 0	6 10 0
" Yellow Cawnpore'	6 12 0	7 2 0
Linseed, Brown Bold	8 14 0	9 4 0
" Brown Thin	8 8 0	8 14 0
Teeseed, White 55-15	46 0 0	9 3 0
" Gajar 75-25	44 0 0	8 14 0
" Gajar 50-50	42 0 0	8 10 0
" Black	40 0 0	8 0 0
Popyseed, White	7 4 0	7 12 0
Groundnuts	43 0 0	....
Mowraseed	4 0 0	4 4 0
Jawa	34 0 0	5 5 0
Arandia	37 0 0	....
Forward	Rs. a. p.	
Wheat, April-May	6 4 3	
Linseed, May	8 14 3	
" Sept.	10 7 6	

PIECE-GOODS.

The Cloth market during the past week has presented a firm appearance, the tone in certain directions being better. This improvement has been due to the belief that, owing to the shortage of tonnage and labour, further shipments will be considerably curtailed during the next few months. Several orders have fallen late by three to four months, and dealers have been obliged to accept the late deliveries, where the contract rates have been cheap. In some quarters an improvement in the demand can be recorded. Some wealthy merchants from Yarcund have purchased fair quantities of White Mulls, Suitings, and Fancies for the Far Northern markets. Some inquiry is also noticeable from buyers of Kandahar for the Afghanistan markets. Amritsar dealers have been taking up small lots to meet their requirements, but there is no demand so far from Delhi and Cawnpore. Rupee rates shew fair improvement all round in Standard cloths, and sellers are holding out for better prices. The rise in values has also been brought about by the enhancement of the import duty on cotton goods, which was anticipated by the dealers since the beginning of the past week. The import duty on cotton goods from Manchester, America and Japan has been raised from 3½ per cent. to 7½ per cent., which is the general tariff rate, and this increase in customs duties has come into effect from the 1st instant, and will amount to an addition in cost of nearly eight pies per rupee. The cotton excise duty on locally-made piece-goods will remain at 3½ per cent., but it is hoped that this duty, as a matter of principle, will be altogether abolished in the best interests of the local mill industry, when financial circumstances are more favourable, and when a general revision of taxation takes place after the war.

Several purchases have been made in the bazaar on Friday on speculative account, and prices have gone up considerably. It is feared that the goods are again going in weaker hands.

GREYS.

Some better feeling has been noticeable in 39 inches Red End Grey Shirtings, which have appreciated in value by eleven annas per piece. The demand, however, is confined to bazaar dealers and there is very little inquiry from the consuming centres. Some lots of 45 inches heavy Grey Shirtings have moved off at fair prices. Grey Jaconets shew an improvement of six annas per piece and sellers are firm. Grey Drills are in better request and the rates have advanced by twelve annas per piece. The inquiry for Grey Mulls is limited. Grey Dhooties are selling in retail quantities at higher rates. Japanese Drills have appreciated in value in sympathy with the American and Lancashire makes.

WHITES.

Bleached goods seem to be moving off a little more freely. White Mulls continue to attract a fair amount of attention, and some sales have been effected at higher prices. Sacharilla heading Mulls in wide widths are in better request, and the price of a well-known mark in 55 inches by 19 yards has gone up to Rs. 7-8 per piece, after sales having been made at Rs. 7-4. The Red End styles of White Mulls in 58 inches by 20 yards have appreciated in value by seven annas per piece. In Nainsooks values have increased by three to four annas per piece owing to better inquiry in the bazaar. Some improvement is visible in White Shirtings worth from Rs. 9 to Rs. 12 per piece, which have moved off for the markets beyond Kashmir.

The quotations for the leading chops of Greys and Whites are as under:—

	Ins.	Yds.	Rs. a. p.
Grey Shirtings—			
Ralli's Fari"No. 2000	39×37½/8	..	8 12 0
" " " 100003	45×37½/8	..	9 12 0
Fleming's No. 1905	48×38	..	10 4 0
Ritchie's No. 1566	33×37/37½	..	..
Dewhurst's Rupee" No. 5	39×38½	..	11 4 0
" "BBB"	38×38½	..	12 8 0
Grey Jaconets—			
Ralli's No. 18	45×22	..	5 8 0
Grey Drills—			
Pepperell "Dragon"	29×40	..	17 4 0
Ralli's 'Musjid,' No. 425	26×40	..	9 12 0
White Shirtings—			
Liepman's No. 1500	32×42	..	15 12 0
H. B. T. C. 40000"	36×40	..	18 8 0
White Nainsooks—			
Ralli's Nos. 7070/9090	27×18	..	3 4 0
" No. 39620 T. B.	38×22	..	4 12 0
Graham's Nos 88/8888	28×18	..	6 8 0
" " 50000	34×18	..	4 7 0
Greaves' No. 8000 T. B.	38×22	..	5 0 0
Ritchie's 3500/4510/5520	26×18	..	3 0 0
White Mulls—			
Ralli's Nos. 6/60/600	41", 46", 51"×19	..	6 0 0
" No. 6000	56×19	..	6 12 0
" " 88	58×20	..	5 12 0
" " 818	39×20	..	6 2 0
Ritchie's No 975	50×18	..	5 10 0
" " 66999	40×18	..	4 3 0
" " 1160	27×18	..	2 15 0
Fleming's No. 8080	"	..	2 15 0

LANCASHIRE YARNS.

There is a better feeling in the Yarn market in consequence of some demand, but the sales have not been on a large scale. Local values remain steady. Fresh business for forward delivery is impracticable, as the prices quoted by the spinners are still too high.

Lancashire Grey Yarns are quoted as under:—

Water Twist Grey:—
30s. "Queen" Ticket per lb. Rs. 1-3-0.
30s. Ordinary qualities per lb. Rs. 1-1-0.
40s. "Cat's Head" Ticket, per lb. Rs. 1-5-0.
40s. Ordinary qualities per lb. Rs. 1-3-0.

SUGAR.

Bombay, Mar. 2.

We have good improvement to report in our market which ruled firm during the week with good demand and prices for ready sugar have been advanced by 4 to 6 annas per cent all round. There was no increase in Duty as expected and it has no effect on prices. During the week small quantity of White Javas changed hands amongst dealers at 25s. F. B. H. for February/March shipment. Home and Java markets are steady and the prices asked are 6d. higher than last week owing to increase in War Risk Insurance.

The following are the Bazar rates and stocks:—

T. M. O. Rs 21 equal to 25s. F. B. H. stocks 170,000 bags.

Brown Java Rs 19 equal to 23s. F. B. H. stocks 57,000 bags.

Soft Rs. 20 equal to 24s. F. B. H. stocks 27,000 bags.

Mauritius Rs 20 equal to 20s. 8d. F. B. H. stocks 87,000 bags.

PETROLEUM.

THE ASIATIC PETROLEUM COMPANY, (INDIA), LTD.

Bombay, Mar. 1st.

The following are the rates ruling in the local market to-day for the undermentioned brands:—

	Rs. a. p.
Rising Sun Brand Bulk Loose per 8 Imperial Gallons	4 14 0
Rising Sun Brand New Tins per pair	6 2 0
Bull Brand Bulk Loose per 8 Imperial Gallons	4 9 6
Bull Brand New Tins per pair	5 13 6
Swan Brand Bulk Loose per 8 Imperial Gallons	3 4 6
Swan Brand New Tins per pair	4 7 6
Anchor Tins per pair	6 5 0
Rising Sun Cases per case	6 14 0
Anchor Cases per case	7 0 0
Shell Cases per case	7 13 0

BULLION.

The Silver Market is steady to firm.
English Bar Gold 27-7 Nominal
Shield Sovereign 15-14.
Dragon 15-13.
Silver Ready Ex-duty
Silver 1st Settlement Ex-duty.
Silver 2nd Settlement Ex-duty.

EXCHANGE.

Is unchanged.
Bank Telegraphic Transfer ½ 5/16.
Bank Demand Drafts ½ 13-32.
3 Months Sight Credits ½ 19/32.
3 Months Sight Francs 19½.
60 days Sight Japan 151.

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

3½ per cent Government Paper is quoted at 66.
4 per cent Conversion Loan at 79 Nominal.

SHARES.

The market was firm in the beginning of the week and the people were in suspense as to the new taxation but as the burden of taxation is now removed the market went up and the fall is arrested. We do not anticipate a big rise immediately.

During the commencement of the week Nagpurs were quoted at 2160 and went up to 2220 and closed at 2205, Crescents at 195 and went upto 212/8 and closed at 207/8, Davids from 440 to 450 and closed at the latter rate. Fazulbhoys from 602/8 to 637/8 and closed at 632/8, Indian Bleaching from 250 to 262/8, Tudore Malwa from 332/8 to 347/8, Madhawji from 1550 to 1595 and closed at 1582/8, Pearls from 440 to 452/8, Simplex from 620 to 635, Standards from 1445 to 1500 and closed at 1497/8, Swadeshis from 1660 to 1700 and closed at 1695.

Katni Ordinary were quoted from 222/8 to 242/8 and closed at 235, Shivrajpurs moved between 35 to 36/8, Tata Ordinary moved from 217/8 to 235 and closed at 230. Drafts were quoted at 872/8 Cum-right and later on it was quoted at 890 Ex-right and closed at 875 Ex-right.

Bombay Burmas moved between 945 to 960, Bombay Steam was quoted at 252/8 and closed at 272/8 and Bombay Trams from 300 to 305. Tata Hydros from 1035 to 1050.

The closing tone of the market was firm.

CALCUTTA SHARE MARKET.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, March 2.

Judging by the strong inquiry that existed for jutes at the opening of the market it appeared as if share dealers considered the budget satisfactory. Favourite stocks advanced several points, Kamarhatty being done at Rs. 305 and Fort Gloster at Rs. 410 while there was a great deal of speculative business in Clives. Coal shares were not in much reqqest and only a small business was reported in these securities. In other directions there was nothing of interest to report. The following sales took place:—

Coal:—Imperial 11; Lakurka 41; Parasea 4-12; Raneegunge 35-12; Sendra 17, 14, 13, 13-8; Sudamdih 5, 5-2.

Jute:—Auckland (ord) 1915; Alliance (ord) 355; Barnagore (ord) 97, 102, 100, 98; Belvedere (ord) 300, 295; Budge Budge (ord) 325, 327, 330; Clive (ord) 108 to 118, 116, 114, 112 114, 116; Dalhousie (ord) 292; Delta (ord) 335, 340, 330; Fort Gloster (ord) 410, 420 s.l. 402; Fort William (ord) 142; Hoogly (ord) 49; Kamarhatty (ord) 285, 290, 295, 300 298; Kanknarrah (ord) 400, 411 s.l.; Kelvin (ord) 430, 450, 440; Kinnison (ord) 440 442-8, 445; Northbrook (ord) 28-8, 28-12, 29, 29-8, 29; Standard (ord) 300.

Government paper three and a half per cent. was quoted at Rs. 69 to 70 and small lots were done at 70-4.

THE CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED

The following is the statement of liabilities and assets of the Central Bank of India, Ld., for the day ended 28th Feb. 1917, as compared with the statement of the 29th Feb. 1916.

LIABILITIES.

	29th Feb. 1916. Rs.	28th Feb. 1917. Rs.
Capital Subscribed Rs. 30 lakhs Paid up	15,00,000	15,00,000
Reserve Fund	1,00,000	1,60,000
Fixed Deposits Current Accounts, &c.	52,86,000	149,10,000
Sundries	57,000	2,48,000
Total Rs.	69,43,000	168,18,000

ASSETS.

	Rs.	Rs.
Cash Credits and Overdrafts on Government and other authorised securities	27,27,000	44,62,000
Loans on Government and other authorised securities	16,89,000	58,64,000
Bills Discounted	1,89,000	16,66,000
Calls paid on Indian Specie Bank shares to be recovered	1,19,000	1,07,000
Sundries	73,000	3,45,000
Cash in hand, at Banks and Investments in Exchequer Bond, Port Trust, Improvement Trust. Municipal Bonds Debentures, etc.	21,46,000	43,74,000
Total Rs.	69,43,000	168,18,000

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BANKS.

Names and Amount paid up	Face value.	Div. Paid.	Last Div % p.a.	Quotation nett to buyers
INDIAN BANKS.	Rs.			Rs.
Allahabad Bank	10	Jan.-July	18%	320
Alliance Bk., of Simla, Ltd.	100	Jan.-Aug.	14%	335
Bank of Baroda Rs. 50	100	Jan.-July.	8%	73
Bank of Bombay	500		15%	1,400
Bank of Bengal	500	Jan.-July	16%	1 500
Bank of India Rs.50	100	Feb.-July	7%	X. D 80
Bank of Madras	500	do.	12%	1,275
Central Bk. of India Rs. 35	50	—	5%	77
Central Co-op., Bk.,	50	—	6%	33
Standard Bk. { O 50 P 50	100	Jan.-July	Nil	30
	100	do.	Nil.	35
EXCHANGE BANKS.	£			
Chartered Bank	20	Oct.-April	15%	660
Eastern Bank Ltd.	£10	March	5%	58
Mercantile Bank A	25	—	10%	$23
12½ B	25	—	10%	$22½
Hongkong and Shanghai Bk. Corporation	$ 125	Feb.-Aug.	33%	$80
National Bank of India £12½	£25	Sept.-Mar.	16%	600

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

			Last half Year Div.	
Ahmedabad Advance	500	Apl.-Oct.	40	370
Bhimani Cotton Mill	100	—	3	295
Bo. Cotton Manfg.	500	Nil.	—	290
Bo. Dyeing and Mfg. Company	250	—	25	880
Bombay United	250	—	25	675
Century	100	Mar.-Sept.	10	295
Central India O	500	May-Nov.	90	2,160
Central India P	500	May-Nov.	5%	X. D 427½
China	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil	350
Colaba Land& Mill	700	—	55	1 240
Cooria	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	Yr. 50	825
Crescent	100	April.	8	207½
Carrimbhoy	250	Mar.-Sept.	10	315
David	250	do.	15	450
Edward Sassoon	200	May-Nov.	10	170
Emperor Edward	500	—	25	550
Fazulbhoy	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	15	632½
Framji Petit	1,000	May.	40	1 200
Finlay Mills	250	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	257½
Gold Mohur	500	—	25	260
Globe	100	—	Nil.	nom 60
Hindustan	1,000	—	50	525
Hyderabad	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	50	1 500
Indian Dyeing and Bleaching	100	do.	12	282½
Indian Manufg.	1,000	—	20	400
Indo-China Mfg.	1,000	Mar.-Sept	60	800
Indore Malwa	100	Apl.-Oct.	15	347½
Jamshed Manufg	250	Mar.-Sept.	Nil.	60
Jewraj Baloo	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	385
Kasturchand	500	Mar.-Sept.	25	960
Khandesh	1,000	Apl. Oct.	30	1 025
Khatao	1,000	Jan.-Dec.	40	1 800
Kohinoor	500	Mar.-Sept.	10	700
Lakshmi Cotton	1,000	Mar.-Aug.	100	1 325
Madhowji Dharamsi	500	Apl.-Sept.	80	1,462½
Mautas United	1,000	June-Dec	50	1,700
Maneckjee Petit	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	Nil.	1,450
Meyer Sassoon	100	Mar.-Sept.	Nil.	85
Morarjee Goculdas	1,000	—	40	2 300
Nawab of Cambay	200	Apl.-Oct.	20	nom 530
New Great Eastern	200	—	4	175
New City of Bombay	500	Apl.-Oct.	25	825
Pearl	250	—	15	482½
Phoenix	100	Mar.-Sept	5	165
Presidency	1,000	Jan.-July	Nil.	200
Sassoon Cotton	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	350
Sassoon Silk	500	April	Nil	340
Sholapore	1,000	do.	150	5 200
Sir Shapurji Broacha Mills	Rs.100	—	Nil.	89
Simplex	250	June-Dec.	15	635
Standard Mills	500	Mar.-Sept.	50	1 437½
Sun	125	May Nov.	5	25
Swan	250	O t.	7½	275
Swadeshi	50	Mar.-Oct	60	1 690
Tata Mill { O. P.	50	200	—	525
	50	400	5½	370
Textile	500	Mar.-Sept.	50	1 450
Union Mill	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	200
Vishan Cotton { P.	500	—	35	400
	50	—	7½	630
Western India	1,000	—	15	X. D. 370
Mysore Spinning	250	Feb.-Aug.	8%	300

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

Ahmedabad Dholka Railway	100	Mar.-Aug.	5½%	104
Amritsar Patti Rly.	10	do.	8%	126
Ahmedabad Prantij Railway	500	do.	7%	530
Ahmedabad Prantij Debenture	500	do.	4½%	Par 550
*Central Provinces Railway	100	Jan.-July	4½	96
*Dhond—Basamati Railway	100	do.	4½%	86
Guzerat Railway	100	Jan.-June	5%	94
Hosfarpur Doab Rly. Rs. 100	100	do.	4%	114
Mandra Bhion Rly Rs. 90	100	Apl.-Oct.	4%	80
Pachora-Jamur Rly. Rs. 75	100	Jan.-July.	4%	82
Sara Sirajganj Rly. Rs. 100	100	May-Nov.	4%	94
Sialkot Narowal Rly. Rs. 75	100	Apl.-Oct.	4%	100
*Sind Light Rly.	100	July-Dec.	7%	110
Tapti Valley Rly.	500	Mar.-Aug.	6%	520
Upper Sind Light Rly. Rs. 100	100	Jan.-July	5%	101

PRESS COMPANIES.

	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.
Akbar	750	May.	250	350
Albert Kurrachee	1,000	Nov.	45	850
Brent's Cawnpore	200	Aug.	6	160
Bellary Press	275	—	15	100
Broach City	200	Oct.	8	145
Fort	275	Nov.	20	300
Godavery Valley	100	—	6	120
Harvey and Sahapat	500	July	40	800
Hindustan P. & M.	250	—	—	140
Hingolee	100	Sept.	6	45
Indian Cotton	125	Oct.	6½	140
Jumna Ging & P. Co. Ltd.	1,000	—	7%	645
Kurrachee Press	500	Jan.	8%	500
Khamgaum	400	Sept.	Nil.	835
Mahmudpura Cotn.

BOMBAY CITY AND SUBURBS.

TO-DAY.

Parsi: 24th of Sheherewar, 1286.
Mahomedan: 8th Jamadee-ul-Auwal, 1335.
Hindu: 10th of Fagun Sud, 1979.
Sunrise: 6 59m.; Sunset: 6h. 44m.

LOCAL ENTERTAINMENTS.

Bombay Races: Eleventh Extra Meeting.
SUNDAY, March 4.
Excelsior Theatre: Matinee at 6 p.m. "The Scamps."
MONDAY, March 5.
Municipal Standing Committee, Meeting, 3-30 p.m. (S.T.).
Homeward English Mail will be closed at G. P. O. at 3 p.m. Registered letters accepted upto 1 p.m. and parcels upto 12 noon.
Public Meeting re War Loan, Town Hall, 5-45 p.m.
TUESDAY, Mar. 6.
Bombay Presidency Released Prisoners' Aid Society, Meeting of leading citizens, Corporation Hall, 6 p.m.
Medical conference on Venereal Diseases, Sanitary Institute, Princess Street, 11-30 a.m., to 1-30 p.m. and 4-30 p.m. to 6-30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, March 7.
Lady Willingdon opens the Sale of Work and Fancy Fair in aid of War Funds, Town Hall, 5-15 p.m.
Khandesh Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd., Ordinary General Meeting, Royal Insurance Building Churchgate-street, Fort, 3-30 p.m.
DAILY.
Excelsior Theatre: "The Scamps" at 9-45 p.m. Cinema at 6-30.
Empire Theatre: "The Light that Failed" at 6-30, 8-30 and 10 p.m.
Royal Opera House: 5-30 and 9-30 p.m.
Palace of Varieties: at 6-30 and 10 p.m. every Wednesday, Saturday and Monday, 10 p.m., Show every Sunday at 6-30 at Edwardes.
New Alexandra Cinema, Lohar Chawl, Princess Street.
Olympia Cinema, Sandhurst Road.
West End Cinema, Charni Road: 5-15, 6-45, 8-30 and 10.
New Alhambra Cinema, Sandhurst Road, 7, 8-45 and 10-30.
Anglo-American Cinema, Sandhurst Road, 7, 8-45 and 10-30.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

	Arr.	Dep.
	H. M.	H. M.
Punjab Mail	16 0	14 25
Calcutta Mail (via Jubbulpore)	15 0	21 0
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur)	9 15	13 0
Madras Mail	8 10	21 30
Poona Mail	11 15	14 45
Delhi Express (3rd & Inter-Class)	8 40	7
Poona Express	19 35	7 55
South East Passenger	15 35 & 24	

Punjab, Calcutta and Madras Postal Express. (Departure Seven hours after Mail Steamer is signalled.)

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

	Arr.	Dep.
	H. M.	H. M.
Northern Express	11 35	17 0
Gujarat Mail	8 35	21 0
Kathiawar Express 3rd Class	7 40	21 20
Slow Passenger	20 50	7 45

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

March 3.

1. Riding School.—Riding School daily (except Tuesday) for Recruits and members in possession of Remounts at 7-15 a.m.
2. Squadron Parade.—There will be squadron Drill for all Troops on Tuesday morning next, the 6th instant. Rendezvous Church Gate Station 7-15 a.m. Dress.—Drill Order, Khaki shirts, rifles, swords and bandoliers.
3. Riding School Salsette Detachment.—There will be Riding School for C and D Troops at the Camp Riding School on Friday next, the 9th inst. at 7 a.m. Dress.—Drill Order, khaki shirts, rifles, swords a. bandoliers.
4. Proficiency Class.—Proficiency Class for No. C. Officers and men will be held under Major Wallis (I.A.) at the Volunteer Club on Tuesday and Thursday evening at 6-15 p.m.

F. C. ANNESLEY, 2nd Lieut.,
Actg. Adjutant Bombay Light Horse.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

March. 2.

No. 49. DUTIES:
Duties for the week commencing Sunday 4th March 1917:—
Orderly Officer for the ensuing week 2nd Lieut H. G. Weber.
Orderly Officer next for duty Second Lieut. F. J. Cheminais.
Orderly Sergt. No. 1 Coy. Sergt. A. S. White.
Orderly Sergt. No. 2 Coy. Sergt. W. Grimshaw.
Orderly Sergt. E E Coy. Sergt. S. W. Walton.
No. 50 PARADES:
B. V. A. Rifle Club.
Sunday 4th at 7-30 a.m. at Colaba. Matches 2. 3, and 4 will be carried out in accordance with programmes published.
There will be parades every day at Headquarters, Bazaar Gate Street, Fort, morning and evening at 7 o'clock excepting Thursday and Saturday evening only.

P. H. RETALLACK, Capt.,
Adjutant, Bombay Volunteer Artillery.

NOTICE.

Musicians are required for the Corps and are requested to send their names into Headquarters, early.
A meeting of Staff Sergeants and Sergeants for those not on military duty, will be held at Headquarters on Tuesday, March 6th, at 7 p.m.

POONA VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

Mar. 2.

230. Drill and Instruction.—Parades or the week ending 3rd March 1917:
At Headquarters.—
Buglers, Saturday at 7-30 p.m.
231. Miniature range.—Miniature Rifle Club, Saturday at 7-30 a.m.
232. Range.—The Rifle range will be reserved for "B" Company on Wednesday 7th March and for "A" Company on Thursday 8th March.
233. Field firing.—"E" Company will carry out Individual and Sectional Field firing at Ganeshkhind Square 1-30 on Friday 2nd March at 8 a.m. and 5-30 p.m. and Saturday 3rd March at 4 p.m.

(Sd.) A. R. KEARSEY, 2nd-Lieut.,
Adjutant, Poona Vol. Rifles.

BAND AT THE ESPLANADE.

By kind permission of the Officers the Band of the 1st Battn., B. B. & C. I. Railway, Volunteers, will play a programme of music under the direction of Mr. W. S. Walcott at Esplanade Band Stand this evening commencing at 6 o'clock.

BAND AT BOMBAY RACES.

By kind permission of Colonel T. W. Bonner, V.D., and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battalion, G. I. P. Ry. Volunteers, will play this afternoon a programme of music, undtr the direction of Mr. Hugh B. Mitchell, Bandmaster, commencing at 2-30.

GANDHARVA MAHA VIDYALYA.

H. H. the Yuvanraja of Mysore has sent a generous donation of Rs. 1,00 to the building fund of the institution.

TELUGU BALJNYANOTTEJAK SAMAJ.

The 4th Annual Prize Distribution ceremony will be held to-morrow at 4-30 p.m. at the Telugu Hall, when Rao Saheb Manaji Rainna Kalewar will preside and give away the prizes.

ISRAELITE BROTHERHOOD.

The 19th Annual Gathering of the Israelite Brotherhood will be held at Hira Baug, Opposite C. P. Tank Tram Terminus, to-morrow, at 6 p.m., (S.T.). Dr. Jacob Ezekiel, will preside.

ARYA SAMAJ.

A public meeting will be held at the Arya Samaj Hall, Kalbadwadi, Girgaon, to-morrow at 6 p.m., (B.T.), when Bhramchari Brahmdattji will deliver a lecture on "Atmaviveka."

MUSLIM STUDENTS' UNION.

Under the auspices of the above union, Mr. J. J. Vimadalal will deliver a lecture on "The necessity of High Morals" to-morrow at 6 p.m., in the Union Hall, Chawpati, (near Wilson College), when Sir Bhalchandra Krishna will preside. The lecture is open to the public.

SUFI-ISM AND ISLAM.

Under the auspices of the Muslim Students Union, Mr. Mirza Ali Akbar Khan will deliver the last lecture of his series on "the Teachings of Islam," this evening at 6-30 (S.T.), at the Union Hall, Chowpati. Mr. Syud Hossain will preside. Mrs. Sarojini Naidu will also speak on the subject. The lecture is open to the public.

BOMBAY STUDENTS' BROTHERHOOD.

The Senior Sunday Class of the Bombay Students's Brotherhood will meet to-morrow at 9 a.m. (S.T.) in the Prarthana Mandir Hall, when Prof. C. J. Sisson will give his sixth discourse on the "Works of G. K. Chesterton." The junior class will meet at the same time at the Headquarters, when Mr. K. J. Dubash will expound "The Trawlers." The classes are open to the public.

P. P. PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION.

Under the auspices of the P. P. Progressive Association Mr. M. V. Pradhan wil deliver three discourses on Burke's "Present Discontents" on the first three Sundays in March, commencing with the 4th instant at 9 a.m. (S.T.) at The Shamrao Pandurang Hall, Dady Sheth Agiary Road.

FATAL CART ACCIDENT.

The Deputy Coroner held an inquest on the body of Maya Kara, a Hindu boy, aged 16 years. The deceased who was seated on the top of bags of ground nut in a cart which was going along Frere Road fell between the bullock and the right wheel of the cart, the wheel passing over him. The boy died before any medical help could be rendered. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

PRIMARY EDUCATION.

Under the auspices of the District Congress Committees in Bombay a public meeting of working class people will be held at Lower Parel near Maganbaug to-morrow at 5 p.m., (S.T.). Mr. Haji Usuf Sobani will preside and the question of free and compulsory Primary Education in Bombay will be discussed and resolutions passed regarding the same.

MORTALITY IN BOMBAY.

Four attacks and five deaths from plague and five attacks and two deaths from small-pox accused in Bombay on Thursday, one attack and one death from plague being reported from each of Mazagon, Walkeshwar, and Mahim, two deaths from Maratha Hospital and one attack from Fort. (North). There were no cases of small-pox. The total mortality from all causes was 109, as compared with 112 of the corresponding day of 1916 and 57 of 1915.

DADAR HOME RULE LEAGUE.

A meeting of public protest will be held under the auspices of the branch at 6-30 p.m. at Mr. Shivam's residence (Ambre's House, near Miranda's Chawl, Lady Jamshetjee Road, Dadar) to pass resolution on the Indentured Labour, Public Services Commission Report, Indian Representation in War Conference and orders against Mr. Tilak and Mr. Pal.

Dr. D. D. Sathaye will preside.
Dr. Velkar and Gangoli and Messrs. V. M. Joshi, Phadke and others will be among the speakers.

MEDICAL CONFERENCE ON VENEREAL DISEASES.

The Medical Conference on Veneral Diseases will be held on 6th instant at the Sanitary Institute, Princess Street, 11-30 a.m. to 1-30 p.m. and 4-30 p.m. to 6-30 p.m. The opening address by the Hon. Mr. G. S. Curtis, will be delivered at 11-30 a.m. The Hon. the Surgeon-General R. W. S. Lyons, will then address the Conference. The agenda will be circulated later. Medical men will be admitted on presentation of their visiting cards. Laymen will be admitted by tickets only on application to Dr. J. A. Turner, Honorary Secretary, Municipal Offices, Bombay.

SUSPICIOUS DEATH OF A MAHOMEDAN GIRL.

The Deputy Coroner held an inquest on the body of a Mahomedan girl, Fatmabai, aged 16, residing at Sandhurst Road with her husband Mahomed Irak Jan Mahomed.

On Thursday afternoon the deceased was taken away from her parents' house at Chowpatty by her mother-in-law where she had gone to nurse her sick mother. The deceased prepared food at about 8 p.m. and after serving it to the family went into the kitchen. An alarm was raised a short time after and the girl was found lying on the ground below the kitchen window, a height of 30 feet, where she died immediately.

Further enquiry was adjourned at this stage.

MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITTEE.

DEFECTIVE LIGHTING ARRANGEMENTS AT KENNEDY SEA FACE.

A meeting of the Standing Committee was held yesterday afternoon, the Hon. Mr. L. C. Barodawalla presiding.

The Committee considered a better from Mr. J.B. Vakil and others, in which it was stated that the wisaree caused by the clouds of sand raised by riders on the Kennedy Sea Face could be easily stopped by wateing the ride as before. They also invited the attention of the Corporation to the absence of lights on the foot paths during the rainy season when the difficulties of the pedestrians were enhanced owing to the footpath and the surrounding land being broken up and covered over with pools of water,and owing to the danger of being assaulted by ruffians. They added that in November last a gentleman was very "harshly harassed and annoyed" by two ruffians who personated themselves as police officers, that this incident took place even when there was the dim light of kerosene lamps amd that greater mischief could be done in the total absence of tghts during the rainy season. They also stated hat the cost of providing hurricane lanterns during the rainy season and of watering the ride during the dry weather was so small compared to the comfort and safety of hundreds of persons resorting to the place every day, that the excuse of "war-economy" ought not to be put forward for not complying with this modest demand; that it was understood that Government had already made grant of Rs. 2 lakhs towards the general improvement of the whole area fronting the sea, and that a couple of thousand rupees out of this grant could easily be spared for carrying out the aforesaid requirements. They further requested that the Corporation as representatives of the City would be good enough to invite the attention of Government to these long standing grievances with a request that they might re redressed at an early date, just as they eoved Government formerly in regard to the prooision of lights and the laying out of the ridvwith clean grass instead of stable litter at the pbce.

The letter was forwarded to the Corp ation with a recommendation to record it. la

RECKLESS VICTORIA DRIVER FINED. RS. 150

CHILD RUN OVER AND KILLED.

At the Mazagon Police Court, the Fourth Presidency Magistrate has disposed of a case in which Deputy Inspector Newby charged Walli Mema, a victorai driver, with driving in a negligent manner on the 14th February, thereby causing the death of a boy, named Khoda Phulla, aged 5 years. Mr. D. Billimoria defended the accused.

It was alleged that on the day in question Municipal sweepers were assembling in large numbers in front of the Municipal depot at Chinchpokli, when approaching which the accused looked at the crowds instead of in front with the result that the horse attached to the gharry knocked down the deceased who happened to cross the road at the time. The wheels of the gharry passed over the child, who died on the spot.

The accused pleaded not guilty, saying he was at the races at Mahaluxmi at the time his gharry was alleged to have run over the deceased.

Mr. Billimoria contended that the child had run across the road, regardless of the approach of the victoria and has thus contributed to its own death.

The Magistrate held that the accused was clearly guilty of negligent driving. He convicted him and sentenced him to a fine of Rs. 150, in default, six weeks' rigorous imprisonment.

COCAINE PROSECUTION.

ACCUSED SENTENCED TO RECEIVE 15 STRIPES.

Before the Third Presidency Magistrate Excise Inspector Velloze charged Gafar Hyder, a contraband cocaine dealer, with possession of half-grain cocaine at Duncan Road. The accused who had a previous conviction was sentenced to receive 15 stripes.

KARACHI FREIGHT MARKET.

(Associated Press.)

KARACHI, March 2.

The freight market with the exception of small odd lots of parcel space has been offering from time to time. There is no liner tonnage available in the market. Charter at 195 shillings April loading to United Kingdom is reported this week.

WAR LOAN MEETING IN TOWN HALL.

Arrangements have been made to reserve the first three rows of the seats for ladies at the public meeting to be held in the Town Hall on Monday the 5th instant at 5-15 p.m.

Registration under the military service ordinance has been very brisk in Allahabad.

The total approximate gross earnings of state and guaranteed railways from 1st April 1916 to 17th February 1917 are more by Rs. 462,08,020 than the figures for the corresponding period of 1915-16.

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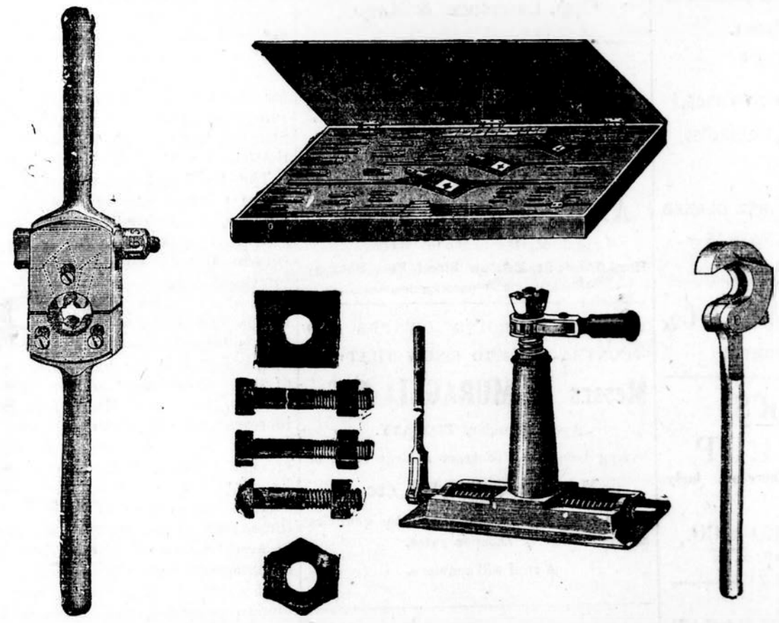

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THE BOMBAY CHRONICLE.
Saturday, March 3, 1917.

THE DRINK EVIL.

The report on the administration of the Excise Department in the Bombay Presidency for the year 1915-16, which has just been issued, makes depressing reading. It might have been reasonably expected that the changed attitude towards the Liquor traffic in the Allied Countries, manifested either in total prohibation or rigorous restriction of the trade, would have influenced the excise policy of the Government in this country. The report under review does not show any sign that the lessons of the war in respect of the evils of drink and the necessity for checking it have been realized by the excise authorities of this Presidency. Neither have recent discussions in the Imperial Legislative Council, apparently been taken to heart by the Imperial authorities. On the other hand, there is every evidence of the fact that the policy actually followed has been prompted by a desire to raise the revenue and by a solicitude for the interests of the legitimate consumer,—a person not recognised by the State in India in pre-British times, as the late Mr. Gokhale once pointed out.

The steady and alarming growth of the excise revenue, during the past few decades, is admittedly due partly to increased consumption. And increased consumption is necessarily reflected in increased drunkenness in the land. That no really effective measures were taken in the Presidency to check the drink evil is brought home to one by the simple fact that the total excise receipts of the Presidency proper amounted during the year to Rs. 2,03,29,480, an increase of Rs. 5,10,610, or about 2.6 per cent., as compared with the receipts of the previous year and of Rs. 13,96,733 or 7.4 per cent. over the average realizations of the preceding three years. The increase is common to every source of revenue from the manufacture and sale of country spirit to the sale of liquor imported from foreign countries, the increase in respect of the former alone being from Rs. 1,39,73,967 in 1911-12 and Rs. 1,49,68,913 in 1914-15 to Rs. 1,50,28,812. In Sind, the gross revenue of the year amounted to Rs. 23,74,617, representing an increase of about half a lakh over that of the previous year. An attempt is made in the report to minimise the part played by consumption in contributing to this increase of revenue. There can certainly be no doubt that so long as the increase in the revenue is due to enhancements of excise duties and to stricter preventive measures and is accompanied by a *real* and not merely comparative decrease in consumption, the efforts of the excise authorities in bringing about such a result are to be welcomed. Unfortunately, a careful perusal of the report is not calculated to create such a pleasant impression. True, there has been a decrease of 1,54,093 proof gallons in the consumption of country spirit during the year under report as compared with the previous year. But the decrease is not only not very substantial but also not general and is, besides, not the result of any conscious policy of reducing the number of liquor shops, or of enlisting the co-operation of the representatives of the people in deciding upon the location of these shops. The decrease of 1,54,093 proof gallons in a total consumption of 21,87,387 gallons of country spirit, especially when it is not general throughout the Presidency, cannot be regarded as very substantial or satisfactory. In Sind the Commissioner says "the consumption of country liquor increased in spite of the selling prices being raised" while the causes assigned for decrease and increase in consumption in the Presidency proper are both inconsistent and unconvincing.

The craving for drink with which the poorer classes in this country are becoming afflicted is not exactly discouraged by the facility with which better and more costly, is replaced by cheaper and nastier spirit. Increasing with the "popularity" of the former, the coffers of the State show signs of repletion! A few extracts from the report itself will speak more eloquently of the excise policy than any comment. In the districts of Kaira, Bijapur and Sholapur and in Bombay City, "there was an increase in the revenue from still head duty along with a rise in consumption of country spirit." In Kaira district "the rise may be attributed to the special efforts to cope with illicit distillation. Also the opening of several new shops for the exclusive sale of 40 deg. U. P. liquor together with the enhancement of duty on 25 deg. U. P. liquor resulted in a considerable increase in the sales of the weaker liquor and a decrease in those of the stronger." "The increased consumption in Bijapur and Sholapur, which accounts for the rise in duty receipts, is attributed to the encouragement given to the sale of 60 deg. U. P. by licensing 7 and 5 additional shops, respectively, for its exclusive sale during the year." In Bombay City, "with an enhancement in the rates of still head duty which led to increased receipts, the consumption rose but slightly, which is certainly a matter of congratulation in a year which, with a great influx of troops, a considerable increase in consumption might have been expected." In Poona, the City and Cantonment showed "an increase in the consumption of 30 deg. U P liquor which was due to a large number of camp followers halting there prior to their departure for the front, and also to an increase in the number of hands working at the Ammunition Factory at Kirkee." Of the districts showing a fall in consumption with an increase in duty receipts,

"Satara alone records a decline in respect of both strengths. In other districts excluding Kanara below-ghat, where a greater number of shops was reserved during the year for the sale of the weaker spirit, the fall in the consumption of 25 degree U. P. is set off by a greater rise in that of 60 degree U. P., but on the whole the consumption as expressed in terms of London proof shows a decrease—a satisfactory indication of the popularity which 60 degree U. P. liquor is gaining in those districts. It is interesting to note in this connection how this spirit has also found sudden favour in Poona City as a result of a shopkeeper there having discovered that when mixed with lemonade it forms an agreeable beverage. This discovery has doubled his sales and induced other shopkeepers to follow his example."

Finally, in the Newapur Peth of West Khandesh, there was an increase of consumption, thanks to the suppression of illicit distillation. That the check to the increase of drink among the poorer classes of people has not been appreciable is not surprising in view of the almost complete absence of any really practical and effective preventive measures, as evidenced by the number of shops licensed during the year for the sale of country spirit. This number was 1,937 as compared with 1,939, showing a negligible reduction of only two shops. More than the number, it is however the location of the shops that is important, and in this connection in many countries the application of the principle of local option is recognized. In 1890 the Government of India laid down the principle, subsequently confirmed, to the effect that before any new site is fixed for the establishment of a shop, reference shall be made to local opinion and that any reasonable objection shall be entertained. How the working of this principle has been reduced to a nullity is best seen in the report. During the year while 24 shops were closed by the authorities, 27 new shops were opened; 25 in Kaira and one each in the Panch Mahals and Nasik. "Of these," the Commissioner writes, "25 shops in the Kaira were opened with the sanction of Government to afford to the people increased facilities for obtaining licit liquor, while I allowed the two in the Panch Mahals and Nasik to be opened after careful consideration to meet the convenience of the population of the surrounding district and also to check illicit distillation for the neighbourhood." Apart from the fact, according to the Commissioner himself,, that Kaira is the only district which showed marked decrease in the number of cases of illicit distillation, it is instructive to note that Kaira is also one of the only three districts which have no Advisory Committees granted to them. After this remarkable proof of the anxiety displayed by the Excise authorities for the active co-operation of non-officials in checking the drink evil, it is not surprising to learn that of the 57 Advisory Committees in the Presidency, 37 were never even summoned, while of the 20 which were summoned, only two were called twice and only one thrice in the year, the remaining being summoned only once; that of the 40 recommendations made by these twenty committees, eleven were not given effect to.

Notes of the Day.

The German Admissions.

The German communiqué announcing the retreat which has at last been published,—though it need not be assumed that it has been published in Germany,—says they "voluntarily evacuated their foremost positions on both banks of the Ancre" and took up "another defensive line." It is alleged that the British remained in ignorance of the retirement and were compelled to fight the German rearguards for the possession of the destroyed country. It is an important admission and the attempt to cover up its significance by this ingenuous description of the usual methods of carrying out an evacuation that is enforced is not likely to impress anybody. The fact remains that the enemy has now done,—voluntarily if he likes,—what it has been the aim of the British effort on the Ancre to make him do during the last few months. It remains to be seen how he fares in his new "defensive line." And it also remains to be seen whether this retirement on the Ancre is not the forerunner of further retirements on other parts of the Front, the German supreme effort coming probably at some point where it has not been expected. But the Germans cannot weaken themselves at vital points to provide for a great offensive movement at some other point without taking great risks. The German admissions are as significant of a considerable disaster to the enemy as the British announcements of the great gain that Sir Douglas Haig's troops have achieved.

The British Victory on the Ancre.

One has to be cautious in accepting non-official estimates of the full extent of the British victory on the Western Front but we have no doubt that the "Petit Journal's" prognostication that there will be astonishment at the extent of the enemy's losses when they become known is justified. The news of the fall of Bapaume is yet to come but it would seem that it cannot be long delayed. There remains some doubt as to the causes of the German retreat. That it is due to the continued British pressure we know is true. But while all the telegrams speak of the Germans having retired to avoid disaster, Mr. Forster in the House of Commons expressed the opinion that the enemy had retired, not as a defensive measure, but in order to conserve his resources for a great effort in the Spring. That seems to be a distinction without a difference. In any case it was a defensive and not an offensive measure and we do not think there can be much doubt that the Germans would never have given up their great defensive positions in the area affected,—positions fortified with the most elaborate effort and the possession of which by the British menaces their whole line and their communications,—if they had not felt that it was a case of running voluntarily or being forced to run.

The Elimination of the Non-essential.

The very important statement made by Mr. Henderson at Sunderland is both significant and encouraging. It is a reminder that a stage has been reached in the war where the national energies, in pursuance of the national determination, must be unreservedly concentrated on the one object that matters. In other words, the key-note of the whole scheme of national reorganisation lies in the ruthless elimination of the non-essential. Mr. Henderson declared that if the closing down of industries was necessary to win the war, they would have to be closed down. Mr. Neville Chamberlain has already intimated that a list is to be issued directly of the restricted occupations in which no fresh male labour will be allowed except with express sanction. Mr. Henderson hinted that it may be necessary to extend that policy in respect of the three and a half million men still occupied in non-essential trades.

Single-eyed Determination.

Further proof of the practical and single-eyed determination that is animating the Government, is afforded by Mr. Bathurst's statement in the House of Commons that the scheme for compulsory rationing was ready to be applied as soon as necessary. Reuters cables, too, a summary of the provisions of the new Order foreshadowed by Mr. Chamberlain at Glasgow according to an earlier telegram. The engagement or transfer of employment of men between 18 and 61 in a large number of occupations, of which a list is issued, is prohibited, except in the case of employers who are under contract with the Government for work of national importance. This may be regarded as the first instalment of the larger restriction contemplated by Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

"Free Labour" and Profit.

That the existence of the indentured emigration is radically wrong on moral grounds was most eloquently emphasised in the speeches made at the meeting of the women of Bombay on Wednesday. That the continuance of the system is indefensible is now generally conceded. The sordid plea, however, of the trade convenience of the Colonies concerned is still trotted out. This point was ably emphasised by Lady Tata in her speech when she condemned the practice of wealthy companies which preferred to make their profits by procuring cheap Indian labour at the cost of all humane and righteous principles rather than pay a little higher wage to labourers from their own local labour supplies, and perhaps make a slightly lower profit in consequence. This is no mere vague accusation, but one based on actual facts and figures showing how easily the companies can procure all the labour locally. Lady Tata cited facts which speak for themselves:

In the year 1913 in British Guiana there were 1,50,000 free Indian inhabitants, and yet 1,300 new indentured Indians were taken from here. In Trinidad there were 1,17,000 free Indian inhabitants and yet 2,000 new indentured Indians were taken from here. In Jamaica there were 14,000 free Indians and 8,00,000 others, and yet 900 new indentured Indians were taken from here. In 1914 and 1915 no new indentured Indians were taken at all to Jamaica. In Fiji in 1913 there were 60,000 free Indians and 90,000 Fijians. Yet 3,500 indentured Indians were taken from here. In 1914 and 1915 in two years together—less than 3,500 new indentured Indians went to Fiji.

The only reason for not obtaining their labour locally as they very well might do, added Lady Tata, is that these rich companies will not pay wages at the higher local rate, and do not care to engage free men who could leave them if they wished at any moment and would, therefore, have to be treated with more consideration than the poor indentured labourer who is bound to helpless slavery under pain of severe penalties, and has no means of getting away from their clutches.

After the Reformatory.

Presiding over the annual sports at the Reformatory School, Chingleput, on Saturday, Sir Alexander Cardew expressed satisfaction at the recent orders under which the supervision of the discharged pupils has been transferred from the magisterial to the educational department. But, as he himself proceeded to point out, it would be still better if the task were transferred to a non-official agency. Departmental supervision, however well intentioned, is apt to lose sight of the human factor. Besides, as experience in the West has proved, voluntary effort has done most invaluable work in this direction. In England, for expample, in connection with the largest of Borstal institutions, there is in every large town a small committee composed not necessarily of clergymen or of professional philanthropists only, to look after the discharged boys and guide and help them. In Bombay, a begining has already been made by the starting of the Sheppard After-Carve Association and there is no reason why similar institutions should not be established in other large towns in the country.

Official and Personal.

Her Excellency presided at the Annual Meeting of the Bombay Ladies Branch of the National Indian Association, which was held at Government House last evening and attended by about 120 ladies.

Mr. E. Maconochie, I.C.S., Agent to the Governor in Kathiawar, has arrived at Government House.

H. E. the Governor-General of Portuguese India arrives at Victoria Terminus at 11-25 a.m. to-day.

Her Highness the Princess Thissu of Burma and Sir Narayan Chandavarkar visited her Excellency at Government House yesterday morning.

Miss Rait, Major General Sir R. C. O. Stuart and Mr. A. R. Anderson lunched at Government House yesterday.

Dr. Gilbert T. Walker, Director-General of Observatories, returned to Simla from tour yesterday.

VIEWS ON THE BUDGET.

Mr. Jinnah, interviewed on the budget said that under the present constitution of the Council, non-officials were not consulted in the matter of the framing of the budget and therefore it was very difficult to express any considered opinion on the question raised therein. The impression created by the budget on his mind was that the methods adopted to tap the resources were on the whole satisfactory. The first impression it left was that the poor were as far as one could see, thoroughly protected. Mr. Jinnah particularly welcomed the increased duty on cotton imports.

Referring to the £1,00,000,000 to be given to Britain, he said, "it seems to me that it is too great a burden on India." Having regard to India's poor condition, it was likely to preclude urgent reforms getting any attention at the hands of the Government and in this connection, referred to primary education which in the present Budget had received nearly £2,00,000, while it might have received a few millions.

Mr. Sastri said the loan was heavy but the method of taxation was unexceptionable.

Mr. Shafi opined that we ought to bear sacrifices in connection with the war willingly.

Nawab Zulfukar Ali said it would be a political blunder to refuse to bear the burden.

Sir Fazulbhoy Currimbhai hoped that the sur-tax would be only for the duration of the war.

Both Mr. M. B. Dadabhoy and Sardar Sundar Singh Malikh were of opinion that the budget was fair.

BRITISH GAINS ON ANCRE CONSOLIDATED.

TURKS COMPLETELY ROUTED.

LATEST WAR OPERATIONS REVIEWED.

THE GAINS ON THE ANCRE.

POSSIBLE ENEMY OBJECTIVES.

ESTABLISHMENT OF FLYING SCHOOLS

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, March 1.
Recd. 11-40 a.m. March 2.

Introducing the Army Estimates in the House of Commons, Mr. Forster, Financial Secretary to the War Office, stated:—For the last two or three months our operations on the west front have been confined to minor attacks in which we have inflicted heavy losses on the enemy and taken over 3,000 prisoners. We have gained ground of considerable importance during the last few days, however, as a result of our continuous pressure on the Ancre front.

The enemy has retired on a front of twelve miles to a depth of two miles and we have taken possession of ten villages and several important positions to which the enemy has hitherto clung with utmost determination. The enemy has hitherto impressed upon his troops the necessity of defending their positions and fighting to the very end. In view of such instructions this withdrawal cannot but have an unfavourable effect on the enemy troops and the German people, when the latter know that probably the enemy is retiring not merely as a defensive measure but with the object of saving strength for a great blow on one or other of the Allied fronts. There is every indication that he will make a supreme effort to end the war in his favour in 1917 which can only be met by corresponding determination on the part of the British Empire and the Allies. (Cheers).

FLYING SCHOOLS.

Mr. Forster stated that flying schools were being established in Canada and Egypt and paid a tribute to the valuable services of a large number of Dominion airpilots. Continuing, he said that while he would not boast as to what we should do if there were more Zeppelin raids, he would say that we had profited fully by the experience.

Mr. Forster mentioned that 4,000 miles of railway had been constructed in all the theatres of war for the transport of big guns and supplies. Apart from malaria, the health of troops in German East Africa was most satisfactory.

BRITISH ADVANCE ON ANCRE.

ENEMY SUPPLY LINE ENDANGERED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PARIS, Feb. 27.
Recd. 11-40 a.m. March 2.

It is pointed out here that the British advance on the Ancre endangers the important German supply-line from Achiet-le-Petit to Arras.

FIGHTING ON THE AVRE.

FRENCH FIRE BREAKS DOWN RECONNOITRING.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PARIS, March 1.
Recd. 11-40 a.m. March 2.

Last night's French communiqué reported that the artillery had been active on both sides of the Avre. Enemy attempts to reconnoitre in the region of Roye broke down under our fire.

FIGHTING IN MOLDAVIA.

RUSSO-ROUMANIAN CAPTURES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, March 1.
Recd. 11-40 a.m. March 2.

A wireless Russian official communiqué says:—We counter-attacked on the Jacobeni-Kimpolung highroad. We were unsuccessful against the northern position but recaptured the southern position.

The Roumanians captured the height northward of the Zaval river.

RUSSIA'S ASSISTANCE TO ROUMANIA.

PREMIER BRATIANO'S SATISFACTION.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

JASSY, Mar. 1.

Premier Bratiano has returned from Petrograd. He declares himself quite satisfied with the Russian promises of generous assistance, the effect of which will soon be seen.

FRENCH TRIBUTE TO BRITISH SUCCESSES.

FINE REVENGE FOR LOSS OF KUT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PARIS, Feb. 27.
Recd. 2-45 p.m., March 2.

Newspapers pay a tribute to the perseverance and energy of the British in earning the successes on the Ancre and in Mesopotamia and congratulate Britain most heartily, on the fine revenge for the loss of

GERMAN INTRIGUE IN MEXICO.

INCITING TO DECLARE WAR AGAINST U. S.

PROMISE OF SUPPORT TO RECONQUER TERRITORIES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

NEW YORK, March 1.
Recd. 7 a.m. Mar. 2.

The Washington correspondent of the Associated Press of America reveals that Germany in planning unrestricted submarinism promised Mexico financial support to reconquer Texas, New Mexico and Arizona and share in the prizes of the German victory if Mexico declared war on the United States, in event of the latter not remaining neutral.

Japan through Mexican mediation was to be urged to abandon the Allies and attack the United States.

DOCUMENT SENT THROUGH BERNSTORFF.

REGARDED AS CLIMAX OF EMBASSY'S MACHINATIONS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, March 1.
Recd. 7-56 p.m., March 2.

Germany's promise to Mexico contained in the document now pubished textually, dated 19th January, and signed by Zimmerman, was actually sent through Bernstorff. It was in Dr. Wilson's hands when he broke off relations with Germany, a fact which is considered sufficient answer to the Chancellor's complaint regarding American brusqueness in the matter. The document is regarded as the climax of the Embassy's machinations, the extent of which, if fully realised, would create immense public indignation.

Zimmerman's proposal regarding Japan is especially interesting in view of the belief of the chiefs of the American army that if Japan ever invaded the United States it would be through Mexico into the Mississippi valley in order to split the country in twain.

The relations will undoubtedly have a profound effect in the country and in the Congress.

JAPAN IGNORANT OF GERMAN OFFER.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

WASHINGTON, March 1.
Recd. 7-56 p.m. March 2.

Mr. Lansing referring to Zimmerman's Note to Mexico, is authorised to say, "We do not believe that Japan had any knowledge of this or that she would consider any enemy propositions."

SUBSTITUT FOR DERBY, OAKS AND ASCOT GOLD CUP.

TO BE RUN ON MAY 30, JUNE 1 AND 12, RESPECTIVELY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, March 1.
Recd. 11-40 a.m. March 2.

Substitutes for the Derby, Oaks and Ascot Gold Cup races will be run at Newmarket on May 30th, June 1st and June 12th, respectively.

DEATH OF LAST SURVIVOR OF SIEGE OF CAWNPORE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, February 27.
Recd. 7 a.m. Mar. 2.

The death of General Sir Mowbray Thomson, the last survivor of the siege of Cawnpore is announced.

DEATH OF MAJOR-GENERAL SIR CROMER ASHBURNHAM.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

Recd. 7 a.m. Mar. 2.

The death is announced of Major General Sir Cromer Ashburnham is announced.

"MORNING POST" DOUBLES ITS PRICE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

Recd. 7 a.m. Mar. 2.

The "Morning Post" has increased its price to twopence.

BRITISH VICTORY AT KUT.

COMPLETE ROUT OF TURKS.

ENEMY'S HEAVY LOSSES.

PURSUIT OF FOE CONTINUED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, March 1.
Recd. 2-45 p.m., March 2.

A Mesopotamia official communiqué says:—The cavalry and gunboats continued the pursuit of the beaten enemy all day Tuesday and captured six guns and a large river-vessel. A number of prisoners, thirty pontoons, much bridging material and a quantity of equipment arms and ammunition were also taken.

LONDON, March 1
Recd. 2-45 p.m., March 2.

In the House of Commons Mr. Forster announced that General Maude stated that the remnant of the Turks had been completely shattered and would only reach Bagdad as a disorderly mob. Over 2,500 prisoners had been taken since February 24th and 5,000 since the commencement of the offensive on December 13th. The total of the Turks killed and wounded was estimated at over 20,000.

Mr. Forster paid a high tribute to the dash and endurance of the troops and skill of General Maude.

"EYEWITNESS" ACCOUNT.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

DELHI, Mar. 1.

The following telegram dated the 1st March 1917 has been received from "Eyewitness," Mesopotamia, February 25th.—

CAVALRY BIVOUAC WEST OF SHUMRAN.

The Turks are in full retreat. They have abandoned all positions between Sannaiyat and Dahra barracks which are six miles upstream of Kut and are retiring in the direction of Baghailah, another 25 miles up the Tigris, as the crow flies. Our infantry after crossing the Tigris at Shumran Bend yesterday morning and driving the enemy from the trenches on the river bank followed him in the night as he retired on the ridge astride the Shumran Peninsula. This morning, after some stiff fighting, they captured the position. All day the Turks have been fighting a stubborn rearguard action. Their line of retirement is intersected by numerous nullahs. These, and ruined huts scattered all over the country, afford good cover for machine guns and hamper speedy pursuit by the cavalry, while the marshy ground to the north hinders the flanking movement. During the last two days of the fighting in Shumran Bend, we have taken four field guns, some machine guns, and three trench mortars, 1,600 prisoners who include four Germans. The Shumran crossing and our vigorous offensive at Sannaiyat were two concerted actions fought at a distance of thirty miles. Simultaneously the pressure on the right bank west of Kut and the left bank east of it dispersed the enemy's forces. Our crossing the Tigris at Shumran cut his line of communications and compelled his withdrawal from all points downstream and in consequence, our Sannaiyat troops were able to follow up their successful attack against diminished opposition and Nakhlat and Suwada lines fell to them in succession. Kut was an incident in their advance. The capture of the town though of sentimental interest is of small significance compared to the rout of the Turkish army and the command of the navigation of the Tigris which up to to-day, was interrupted by the Turkish lines.

At Sannaiyat, this morning, our infantry, whose splendid dash secured this advantage, were bivouacking in Shumran Bend. When they saw our gunboats steaming up the river with decks cleared for action, they lined the banks and cheered them. It was the first time for months that the navy and the troops in the firing line had met the infantry.

After the attack at Sannaiyat, we counted 500 Turkish dead in the trenches and took 50 prisoners. Our aeroplanes flying low harried the retreating Turks dropping bombs on them and emptying their Lewis guns into their ranks.

The cavalry were engaged further west.

February 26.

From bivouac west of Imam Mahdi:—Yesterday, the Turks put up another staff rearguard action three miles further on. Our infantry rushed the nullahs they were holding in force and captured 316 of garrison including twelve officers. The Turks put in an unprecedented amount of shell fire both here and in the area covered by our cavalry but the mirage was most elusive and our casualties not heavy. They were probably firing off dump ammunition as an alternative to leaving it behind. As our troops entered Imam Mahdi the Turks were seen galloping off just out of range. The road is strewn with their artillery ammunition and small arm ammunition, dumps of bombs, pontoon, waggons and other military plant. Our cavalry are in pursuit to the north-west. Our montitors have taken 150 prisoners. Columns of smoke have been seen from the enemy's burning stores.

The local telegraph lines are reserved for the moment for urgent military message. Despatches must be sent by riders to the advanced general headquarters hence the delay.

DELHI, Mar. 2.

Feb. 28.—Conclusion of telegram dated 24th and 27th February. The cavalry in pursuit of the Turks have reached Azizie, capturing six more field-guns and over 300 more prisoners. The gunboats have recaptured our gunboat Firefly and taken a Turkish steamer Basra with two barge loads of wounded prisoners and have sunk another steamer together with iron barges and "mahailas" or big country sailing boats. The infantry continue to round up stragglers. Five howitzers, many rifles and large quantity of pontoons and other military stores and supplies were taken yesterday and about Baghailah, including tents pack saddlery, medical stores, grain, dates oil timber etc.

FAR-REACHING EFFECTS OF VICTORY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 27.
Recd. 7-56 p.m., March 2.

Newspapers rejoice at the recapture of Kut and pay a tribute to the skill of the British commanders and heroism and endurance of the troops. They emphasise that it restores British prestige in Mesopotamia and will have far-reaching effects.

THE LACONIA OUTRAGE.

TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE.

SURVIVING JESUIT PRIEST'S STORY.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

Recd. 7-15 a.m. Mar. 2.
QUEENSTOWN, Feb. 27.

The Reverend Father Waring of Baltimore, who was on board the Laconia, stated in an interview that the crew of the Laconia numbered 217 and there were seventy-five passengers. Father Waring was talking to the surgeon in the latter's room when the shock knocked down the ornaments and caused the ship to shudder violently. Father Waring rushed to the state room to get a lifebelt and went on the deck to his allotted boat station. The Passengers were calm despite the confusion and the extinction of electric lights and allowed the ladies to enter the boats first. Father Waring's boat became jammed while being lowered and hung dangerously but the ship's surgeon cut the tackles whereupon they descended safely.

Another priest had a terrible experience. He helped in rowing and attended to the injured people, though himself an invalid.

STEAMERS SUNK.

TOTAL LOSS OF TONNAGE 27,000.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 27.
Recd. 7 a.m. Mar. 2.

The steamers Algiers, Aries and Dorothy and two small craft, all British, have been sunk. The total tonnage lost including the Laconia is 27000.

GENERAL GOUGH'S PRUDENCE

A FRENCH APPRECIATION.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

PARIS, Mar. 1.

The "Echo de Paris" comments on General Gough's prudence in not throwing forward the cavalry and infantry and avoiding a possible trap.

LAST OF BAPAUME DEFENCES.

ASTONISHING ENEMY LOSSES.

BRITISH CAVALRY AT MAXIMUM EFFICIENCY.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LAHORE, March 2.

A "Civil and Military Gazette's" special cable says:—

A correspondent mentions that the enemy have blown up Bapaume water works and the "Petit Journal" says the last of the defences of Bapaume have fallen without a fight but not without fatalities. To-morrow at the latest, there will be astonishment at the figures of the enemy's losses. The Germans have fallen back in order to avoid an overwhelming disaster. The victory is due particularly to the efficacy of the new shells.

Berlin has not yet mentioned the retreat.

An American correspondent recently at the front, quotes a British general as expressing the opinion that the cavalry will be an important factor in achieving a decision in the west and adds that the British are keeping their cavalry at maximum efficiency.

RUSSIAN ATTACK NORTHWEST OF JABLONICA PASS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LAHORE, March 2.

A "Civil and Military Gazette's" special says:—

The Germans and the Austrians report a Russian attack north-west of the Jablonica Pass.

CLOSING DOWN OF NON-ESSENTIAL TRADES.

LIST OF RESTRICTED OCCUPATIONS TO BE PUBLISHED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, February 27.
Recd. 7 a.m. Mar. 2.

Speaking at Sunderland Mr. Henderson said that if the closing down of industries was necessary to win the war they would have to be closed down. The Government was determined to secure the speedy fruition of Mr. Neville Chamberlain's plans. The country's danger was more obvious than ever. There were three and a half million men in non-essential trades including one and a quarter millions in hotels, entertainments and stockbrokers' offices.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain at Glasgow announced that a list would be issued immediately of the restricted occupations in which no fresh male labour could be employed without express permission.

ORDER PROHIBITING TRANSFER OR ENGAGEMENT OF MEN

PRIORITY FOR GOVERNMENT WORK.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 1.
Recd. 1-30 p.m. Mar. 2.

The new Order prohibits engagement or transfer of employment of men between eighteen and sixty-one in occupations, of which a comprehensive list is issued, unless the employers are occupied in the execution of Government contracts or work of national importance. The order provides for priority of attention for Government work.

BROADSTAIRS AGAIN BOMBED.

WOMAN INJURED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, March 1.
Recd. 11-40 a.m. March 2.

The Press Bureau states that a hostile aeroplane bombed Broadstairs this morning slightly injuring a woman.

A GERMAN COMMUNIQUE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 28.
Recd. 1-25 a.m., Mar. 2.

A wireless German communiqué says the fighting continues now at two points of our first line trenches.

LATEST CABLES.

REVELATION OF GERMANY'S PLOT.

CROWNING EXPOSURE OF ROGUERY

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 2.
Recd. 1-10 a.m., Mar. 3.

The revelation of Germany's plot regarding Mexico is regarded by the British press as a crowning exposure of roguery, desperation and folly of Germany's rulers.

The dramatic timing of revelation is considered a fresh proof of prudence and diplomacy with which President Wilson is seeking to consolidate the American nation by fully acquainting it with Germany's crimes before announcing that the sinking of the Laconia was an overt act necessitating war.

FEELING IN AMERICA.

LONDON, Mar. 2.
Recd. 1-10 a.m., Mar. 3.

A telegram from Washington says the revelation of Germany's plotting regarding Mexico has stirred the Capitol to its depths.

The Congressmen have forgotten their differences and are rallying to the support of the President in a flood.

The Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, introducing in the House of Representatives a bill authorising the arming of merchantmen, received an ovation when he asserted the right of the Americans to travel, and added, "We hope to uphold the right peacefully; if this is impossible, then it will be upheld by force of arms."

JAPAN'S ENTERTAINMENT OF PROPOSAL IMPOSSIBLE.

A Japanese official statement has been issued scouting the idea that Japan would ever entertain such a proposal, and dwelling on the good, and growing, friendship between Japan and the United States. An official of the Embassy said that the idea of Japan adhering to such a proposal was monstrous, impossible and outrageous.

Mr. Lansing has issued a statement that he is confident that Mexico would not be a party to such a plot, adding, that it is impossible to publish all the details for fear of endangering the lives of our informants.

BRITISH MOVEMENT ON ANCRE.

ENEMY IN IGNORANCE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, March 1.
Recd. 1-10 a.m., March 3.

A wireless German communiqué says we voluntarily evacuated our foremost positions on both the banks of the river Ancre and took up another defensive line. The enemy remained in ignorance of our movements and our rearguards compelled the enemy to fight for the possession of the destroyed country.

The British attacks at Le Transloy and Sailly failed with the exception of two narrow positions captured.

CHAMBRETTES-BEZONVAUX FRONT.

VIOLENT CANNONADING.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, March 2.
Recd. 1-10 a.m., March 3.

A French communiqué says there was a fairly violent cannonading on the Chambrettes-Bezonvaux front.

RATIONING IN HOTELS TO BE ENFORCED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 2.
Recd. 1-10 a.m., Mar. 3.

It is understood that the Food Controller will shortly enforce rationing in hotels and restaurants and will order a fixed price for tea.

BRITISH ADVANCE NORTH OF MIRAUMONT.

ENEMY CONTINUES TO RETREAT.

LONDON, Mar. 2.
Recd. 7-56 p.m., March 2.

A British communiqué says, we took 2,133 prisoners, including 36 officers, in February. Enemy continues to retreat.

We advanced northward of Miraumont 600 yards on a front of a mile and a half.

We discharged gas southward of Souchez.

We made a raid and entered trenches north-eastward of Givenchy.

The enemy raided trenches near Ablaincourt and Rancourt, but were ejected.

AMERICAN STEAMER IN FRENCH PORT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

BORDEAUX, Mar. 1.

The American steamer Rochester from New York, has entered Gironde.

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NEW EFFECTIVE BRITISH GAS-SHELLS.

REMARKABLE EXPLANATION OF ANCRE VICTORY.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON ,February 27.

The correspondent of "Le Journal" gives a remarkable explanation of the British success on the Ancre. He says it is due particularly to the terrific efficacy of the new gas shells which have caused the enemy astonishingly heavy losses.

THE POSITION AT LIGNY.

DEVELOPMENTS OF A DRAMATIC NATURE HINTED AT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 2.
Recd. 1-30 p.m. Mar. 2.

Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters says:—Around Ligny we are now upon a ground which is actually higher than Bapaume, so it is only a question of advancing guns to dominate it and render it untenable. The enemy has greatly damaged the main Albert road and is maintaining steady artillery fire on it, making repair more difficult.

The correspondent hints at developments of a dramatic nature if the weather holds.

EFFECT OF BRITISH BLOCKADE.

SERIOUS SHORTAGE OF FOODSTUFFS IN ENEMY COUNTRIES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 1.
Recd. 1-30 p.m. Mar. 2.

In the House of Commons Lord Robert Cecil said that while it was difficult to state the results of the British blockade, there was every reason to believe there was serious shortage of foodstuffs and certain important materials in the enemy countries.

He believed that for some months no substantial oversea imports through Scandinavia and Holland had gone to Germany, while recently as a result of negotiations with these countries, the export of their products to Germany had considerably diminished. There had been no material oversea exports from Germany.

DEFENCE FORCE BILL.

RECEIVES VICEROY'S ASSENT.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

DELHI, March. 2.

The Indian Defence Force Bill has received the assent of the Viceroy.

GAZETTE OF INDIA.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

DELHI, March 2.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Mr. A. H. Cuming, I.C.S., acts as Judge High Court, Calcutta vice Mr. Justice Chaudhuri.

The Director-General, Indian Medical Service, is authorised to grant diplomas to those military medical pupils of Assistant-Surgeon class of Indian Subordinate Medical Department who pass the qualifying tests prescribed by him.

Exemptions under Indian Army Rules shall cease to extend to Mr. D. R. Barrat, A Company, 1st Lincolnshire Regiment and Mr. H. Hogan, Anglo-Indian of Calcutta.

Mr. F. C. T. Halliday, Superintendent of Police, is granted one year's leave.

Sardar Gur Partab Singh, Revenue Assistant Port Blair, is granted three months' leave.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

Rev. G. A. R. Thursfield and Rev. J. G. Lister is appointed Chaplains, Rangoon.

FOREIGN AND POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Captain Connell McDowell, 116th Mahrattas, is employed with Frontier Militia.

COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. G. Henderson of Shaw Wallace and Co. is appointed to Tea Cess Committee, vice Mr. Fraser resigned.

RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

The services of Mr. A. R. Anderson are placed under Indian Munitions Board.

ARMY DEPARTMENT.

Lieut.-General H. Hudson becomes temporary Adjutant-General in India, vice Major-General Walter.

Lieut.-Col. W. G. Beyts, R.A.M.C., is appointed Honorary Surgeon to the Viceroy, vice Colonel Tate.

The following are appointed to the Indian Army Reserves of Officers, Cavalry Branch.—To be Lieut. G. T. B. Harvey, to be 2nd-Lieutenants T. H. Ketson, C. M. Maclarron, R. S. Durant; Infantry Branch,—To be 2nd-Lieutenants F. Cowie, R. E. Cooper, L. A. Lack, G. L. Brown, G. V. Fowler, F. W. H. Lewis, J. D. Jones, H. Walsh, H. B. Winter, K. J. M. Lauder, J. R. Stub, H. R. C. Parker, J. C. Maloney, W. E. Haines, N. C. Procter, W. V. Ribbins, G. N. Prattini Temp. Lieut.-Col. A. S. Capper, 39th Horse and Bt. Lieut.-Col. T. L. Leeds are promoted to Lieut.-Colonels. Lieut. N. M. Bodas, I.M.S. and Lieut. T. H. Janakiramiah are permitted to resign the service. Col. R. F. Bell-Clothier, Supernumerary List retires from service.

Volunteer Officers decorations have been confirmed on Major G. V. F. Scovell, Bangalore Rifles.

Majors N. R. Medley, C. K. D. Sidwick and Captain J. R. Reynolds, B. B. & C. I. Rv. Rifles, and Lieut.-Col. R. H. P. Bullen, Kolar Gold Fields.

BOMBAY RACES.

NOTES ON TO-DAY'S EVENTS.

With a full card of eight events to be got through, the racing this afternoon is to commence at 3 o'clock.

Fourteen are left in for the Leopards Town Plate of six furlongs and of these Carpentia is being most bruited about as the likely winner. He has not, however, done anything this season to warrant this compliment and, on what we have actually seen, Evett, though in pride of place at 9-12, is a much sounder selection. Then we have also Forfeit Lass and Fire Finch, three others from the same stable having been scratched. Premiere is another which needs more than a passing thought and it may also be as well to mention that Tootsie, whose ability to negotiate even so moderate a distance as this is more than a mere querry, looked decidedly as though, together with Pastime, he might have had something to say in the final placing had she been more fortunate in her endeavours to find a friendly gap to come through as they swept along for the last few yards of an identical journey for the Mansfield Plate last Saturday.

For the Nottingham Plate (1¼ miles) we can only repeat what we said of the Stand Plate of last Saturday as regards the likely winner and although our selection on that occasion did not win, we most emphatically say that it was not the animal that disappointed us but the manner in which it was ridden, for Madrina who was so stoutly plunged for,—would, in our opinion most certainly have won had she been kept in hand instead of being made to run herself out to a walk by the time the last bend was reached. Spenser and Dunskey should be the next two for the money.

A second six furlong scurry for the big 'uns musters twenty of them for the Gosforth Park Plate. We must lead off with the best chance to Final Proof, Servian next. Dorian and Wise Thru should also be close up, but the race is an open one and several others have some claim or another to put forward in their favour.

The Bassein Plate. (1¼ miles.)—Black Hussar should win and Tawdry place but Gazal with all his 9-7 is likely to acquit himself very respectably and is sure to be well-fancied for the win.

The Campoli Plate. (7 furlongs)—Lord Roseberry, who for some reason or other declined his engagement of last Saturday, has not thereby shaken our confidence in him. Ata Allah is sure to make a good show and Kaharaman is extremely dangerous.

The first division of the third division Ponies' race (as we are asked to style the March Plate mile and a quarter events) points to Raven, Major and Tawakul while Abdul is also dangerous. Powerful is, however, well spoken of just now and the top-weight Fairy Gold won so convincingly over a mile and a quarter some while back that there is no knowing how much he had in hand or how much better he may be over the extra two furlongs of territory.

The second division of the third division Ponies' Race (as the next portion of the March Plate is down as) should find Khan Bahadur plentifully supported with Mint Master next in demand. Salim, Shatra and Panama are possible outsiders and Toledo is the dark tip of the event.

The Melton Plate (six furlongs) is of course foregone conclusion for the bracketers: Four Aces and Niger, the other place should go to Natal followed by Bhookhri Starling and Adil in that order.

LAWN TENNIS.

WESTERN IDDIA CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The following were the results of the match played yesterday:—

FINALS SINGLES.

Ranga Rao beat Fyzie 6—3, 6—0.

FINALS MIXED DOUBLES.

Mrs. England and England beat Mrs. Jakes and Jakes 6—2, 2—6, 9—7.

FINALS MEN'S DOUBLES.

England and Fisher v/s Chinmulgund and Fyzee will be played to-day at 5-15 p.m.

The Prizes will be given away to the winners by Mrs. Ferrers Nicholson after the finish of the game.

BANDMAN V. ADA REEVE.

DEFENDANT'S STATEMENT.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Mar. 2.

At the High Court to-day, Mr. Justice Chitty was engaged in hearing the suit brought by Maurice E. Bandman theatrical manager against Mrs. Wilfred Cotton, better known as Miss Ada Reeve, to recover damages of Rs. 50,000 for alleged breach of contract as reported already.

The defendant admitted that the contract but said it was agreed they would perform a short season in Bombay and a few weeks in Calcutta. The plaintiff without her consent extended the period in Bombay and Calcutta. Owing to an accident sustained by her, she would be prevented from performing for an indefinite period.

The plaintiff was then examined.

The case is proceeding.

BOMBAY AMUSEMENTS.

EXCELSIOR THEATRE.

BREAKS UP OF THE SCAMPS.

The Bombay public will be interested to learn that their favourite concert party the "Scamps" will cease to be such from to-morrow, when they give their farewell performance at a half price matinee at 6 p. m. as their farewell night performance will take place this evening at 9-45 p. m. Theatregoers who have enjoined the excellent fooling of the players in Black and Yellow will not doubt have their regrets, but it is good news to learn that they are not deserting us but will form the principal portion of the new venture by. The Bandman Musical Comedy Co. will commence a season of Musical Comedy and Revue next Saturday with the well known Coliseum revue "The Redheads" which has had a phenomenal success in English speaking countries. The principal roles will be played by the "Scamps" and a strong chorous has been engaged to supplement. The Repertoire will be produced by Mr. Harry Hall, who was responsible for the excellent productions in Bombay last November of "Mr. Manhattan" and "Tina." For their farewell performance to-night and to-morrow The Scamps are giving a special programe and their second half will consist of Topsy Turvy Items in which the ladies will burlesque the gentlemen and vice versa both in dress and numbers. Some screaming burlesques are provided notably popular dances by artistes who are utterly unsuitable and sung by dancers even less suitable. There will be a complete mix-up alround and some uproarious comedy should result. The first half of the programe will be devoted to numbers at the special desire of the audience. These requests should be handed in to the Manager at the commencement of the show. That a throughly enjoyable evening should result is superfluous to mention. Heavy booking is now proceeding at Messrs. Rose and Co.,

THE NEW ALEXANDRA.

The management of the New Alexandra Cinema have already proved themselves connoisseurs in picture collection, picture discrimination, with a penchant, perhaps, for the unusual, the imaginative, and the poetical. But their latest selection,—a four-reel Centaur masterpiece, entitled "The Soul's Cycle", which is to be given to the public this evening they further emphasise this characteristic quality of their presentations. A production far removed from the ordinary. "The Soul's Cycle" is a genuine picture play. Its pictorial appeal is as strong as its dramatic interest. The theme of the film is based upon the doctrine of metempsychosis, or transmigration of souls, as held by the Hindus, by the disciples of Pythagoras and Plato in ancient Greece, and by many others in various modified forms down to the present day. Something happens some words or sentence is uttered some scene is before our vision and over our mind comes the knowledge that just this precise happening occurred to us beefor. We search our memory but cannot trace theevent, yet the recollection of it is absolutely clear and we wonder whether, in some past existence, we have experienced just that same feeling which is permeating us now. This line of thought leads to an immense field of possibility. Have we existed in an earlier and unknown form or age? Are we going to do so in some future existence? This theme is one that has been discussed from time immemorial, and is and will be a topic of univesal interest. It is the subject matter of the idea which is attempted to be carried out in "The Soul's Cycle". Does the soul transmigrate? Theories for and against are equally balanced. Every one, however, must be interested in seeing how such a subject is handled on the screen. Cinematography has reached the stage when it serves many ends. It has effected much of educational value. It is always improving, and, as time goes on it is likely to do much more. From beginning to end the interest of the audience is closely held. It is sure to prove a very successful attraction for the week.

"TWO LITTLE VAGABONDS."

In these days when the bonds of sympthy between London and Paris are so close, it maiinterest our readers to know that Pierre De courcelle, the author of "Two Little Vagabonds' which is being shown at the Empire this week is a true Parision, having been born in thatcity just sixty years ago this year. He is a Parisian in another sense too, for his quick wit and racy humour are throughly characteristic of his native capital. He was only twenty four when began his career as a journalist and playwright, and has to his credit a long list of dramas and operettas which have delighted French audiences.

Just now George Sims, who collaborated with Arthur Shirley in adapting Pierre Decourcelle's famous book for the stage, is very much in the eye of the public, for his recollections, as most of our readers know, are being published in "The Evening News."

George R. Sims was born on 2nd September 1847, and he says that from the first he had youthful society, for his mother was eighteen and his father nineteen at his brith, and he was present at his father's coming of age celebrations and made a speech the said speech being a requestv for some tea, a revolt against milk diet. Mr. Sims declared that he has been faithful to tea ever since.

His student days over, young Sims entered his father's office in Aldersgate and soon commenced to combine literature with business. Mr. Sims speaks affectionately of those early days when he combined journalism with commercial life. He says it was a "Dickensy London." He comments upon the people who came to his father's office. Many of them he remembered with advantwge when he began to write.

Mademoisells fromet, the wonderful little French actress who takes the part of Claudinet in "Two Little Vagabonds," is surely one of the youngest Cinema Stars in the world being only eleven years old. She is a little person of genius, who throws herself into all kinds of role with a truth of presentment and an intensity that would be remarkable in a grown up actress. With it all "la petite Fromet" is a real child. The great sorrow of her life was the death of her pet rabbit and when she is acting for the cinema, and the stage manager tells her to look sad She thinks of this rabbit and becomes as sad as ever he can wish.

In addition to the strong attraction of "Two Little Vagabonds" some of the latest British Government War Films will be shown and a comedy "Thunder and Lightning" in which the immitable Charles Chaplin appears. Both these films right of showing is held by the Empire Management whose enterprise seems to have no limit.

PALACE OF VARIETIES.

The excellence of the great vaudeville programme now running at the Palace of Varieties (Gaiety Theatre) is testified to by the large audiences that are seen there nightly. Miss Mona, the sparkling soubrette, who is paying a return visit to Bombay, appears in some fine chorus songs, such as "Bring me back my loving honey boy," "Back home in Tennesse" etc. Miss Essie Jennings, the great Australian star, is heard to great advantage in "My Bird of Paradise," "I have got a girl in Penkin," "When the boys come marching back to Blighty," and other excellent chorus and patriotic songs. Mr. C. Morris continues to regale the audience with his extremely humorous songs and fine dancing, the former including "Cocke-doodle-do" and "Tickled to death."

"Children of the Circus," a sensational circus drama, is the greatest attraction on the picture side of the programme. It features Miss Baptista the great equestrienue from the London Olympia, and is full of exciting circus scenes, in which wonderful performing animals are seen. There are, besides, two keystone comedies.

The famous "What Nots?", a high-class Variety Company and mystical entertainers, will appear at the Palace of Varieties next Thursday. It is a star combination of talented artistes, including Renville Roberty, magician and illusionist extraordinary; Miss Irene Beryl, comedienne and premiere classical dansense; Charlie a comedian, who made the King of Siam laugh; the Warleys, inimitable sketch artistes and dancers.

MRS. BESANT AND BOMBAY AND C. P. GOVERNMENTS.

MR. CHANDA'S QUESTIONS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

DELHI, Mar. 1.

At to-day's meeting of the Imperial Legislative Council Mr. K. K. Chanda (Assam) asked the following questions:—(A) Was the Government of India consulted by the Government of Bombay and the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces before action was taken against Mrs. Besant? (B) Was it any public or private speech or any published writing of Mrs. Besant which formed the basis of action against her, if so will the Government be pleased to specify the name The Government is aware that since the action was taken against her as aforesaid she visited Lucknow and Calcutta and other places where she delivered speeches on politica' subjects among other matters. Has any complaint been received in regard to any such speech? Will the Government be pleased to consider whether they should not now suggest to the local Governments concerned the withdrawal of the orders passed against her?

Sir Reginald Craddock replying said a copy of the statement made by the Hon. Mr. Slocock in reply to a question in the Central Provinces Council is laid upon the table.

It will be seen that action was taken against Mrs. Besant in pursuance of the Chief Commissioner's policy to discourage violent political agitation and inflammatory speeches as being prejudicial to public safety at a time like the present.

The Government of Bombay were actuated by similar reasons and in both cases the Government of India were consulted and gave their approval.

The Government of India were and are influenced in giving that approval by the general trend of Mrs. Besant's writings and speeches and not by any particular article or utterance. They do not propose to suggest to the local Governments concerned the withdrawal of the orders against Mrs. Besant. The Governments of Bengal and the United Provinces have not made any official report to the Government of India regarding Mrs. Besant's speeches in those provinces.

RECRUITING MEETING IN BOMBAY.

TEN THOUSAND PEOPLE PRESENT.

Under the auspices of the Bombay Branches of the Home Rule League, a meeting was held in Shantaram's Chawl, Mughbat Lane, to appeal to young Indians in Bombay to join the new Defence of India Force. The whole space was densely crowded long before the meeting commenced and not less than ten thousand people must have been present. Great enthusiasm reigned throughout the proceedings. Mr. B. G. Tilak who presided was received with vociferous cheers on his arrival. The speeches were constantly punctuated with cheers of warm approval and enthusiasm. (A cheers of warm approval and enthusiasm. A full report will appear in our issue of Mondoy.)

LAHORE CONSPIRACY CASE.

DR. MATHRA SINGH TO BE HANGED.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LAHORE, March 2.

The special tribunal consisting of Mr. C. A. Barron, I.C.S., President, Major Frizelle and Rai Bahadur Gonaldas Bhaudari, this afternoon pronounced orders in the Lahore Conspiracy Case against Dr. Mathra Singh, formerly a compounder at Shanghai, who was recently arrested in Russian Turkistan. Mr. Barron in pronouncing orders said that the charges against the prisoner had been clearly and conclusively proved and he was found guilty under sections 121, 121 A 131, 132 and 302/109 I.P.C. and the tribunal therefore sentenced him to be hanged and ordered also forfeiture of property.

NATIONAL INAIAN ASSOCIATION.

ACTIVITIES OF BOMBAY LADIES.

The annual general meeting of the Bombay Ladies' Branch of the National Indian Association was held yesterday at Government House, Bombay, H. E. Lady Willingdon presiding.

After Lady Reed had read the notice convening the meeting, Miss Serene M. Cursetji, one of the Honorary-Secretaries, read the report in the course of which it was stated:

The Executive Committee has the honour to lay before the members and those interested in this Association the report for the year 1916. During the year six Committee Meetings took place and one special general meeting. At the latter on April 19th, it was resolved that the Work Guild should in future be called by the name of the President of the Association as had originally been done. We have much pleaure in stating that as usual our Work-Guild and Lectures have continued to progress very satisfactorily. At the end of last year the ordinary members of the Association numbered 277 and life members 41. During the year 10 members resigned, three died, 24 members were elected and two rejoined so that the present membership is, life members 40, Annual members 293, total 333. We regret to record the deaths of Ladli Begaum of Bella, Mrs. Bejanjee A. Kamdin and Rani Laxambai saheb M Gaekwar. Mrs. Muller on her departure to England in March sent in her resignation as Hon. Secretary which was regretfully accepted with expression of thanks for her past work. Mrs. Percy Anstey was appointed in her place. Mrs. Cassie Honorary Secretary of the Work Guild has been absent since June and we owe our gratitude to Mrs. Framroze A. Vakeel for very capably performing the duties of Acting Honorary Secretary in addition to those of the Honorary Treasurer of the Work Guild

Mrs. G. A. Latif moved the adoption of the report of the Association and of the Work Guild with their audited accounts.

Mrs. F. S. Ptrick seconded the motion, which was carried.

On the motion of Lady Heaton, seconded by Mrs. J. A. Vakil, hearty votes of thanks were passed to Messrs. Batliboi and Purohit for auditing the accounts.

Mrs. Rustomji Byramji proposed: That this meeting offers its best thanks to the members of the Executive Committee of the Ladies' Branch of the National Indian Association for their excellent management of its affairs during the past year.

Mrs. Jeyakar seconded the motion, which was carried.

On the motion of Dilshad Begum Saheba, seconded by Mrs. Willard it was resolved to continue grants to several students studying at the different educational institutions.

Mrs. Palmer proposed a cordial vote of thanks to her Excellency Lady Willingdon.

Lady Chandavarkar seconded the motion.

Miss Serene M. Cursetji, supported the resolution.

The vote of thanks was carried amid applause, and her Excellency Lady Willingdon, in replying, thanked Miss Cursetji for the very kind words she had spoken of her. She hoped they all had read the letter which had appeared in the newspapers, in which H. M. the Queen had referred in appreciative terms to the work done by her and the women of India and she begged to offer her thanks to her Majesty for the kind words she had said about her. As to the distinction of the "Crown of India" conferred on her, she would very much have liked to put on the medal that day but it had not yet arrived. She considered the work done by the Association very satisfactory and she wished it all possible success in the future.

The proceedings then terminated.

CALCUTTA UNIVERSITY.

LEAKAGE OF EXAMINATION PAPERS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Mar. 2.

It is understood that the English paper of the Matriculation Examination of the Calcutta university, which is now going on, has leaked out. This was found out during the examination in English on Thursday morning. How the paper was abstracted has not yet been ascertained. There was an informal conference of some of the University authorities yesterday evening to consider the situation, but with no definite result. An urgent meeting of the Syndicate has been called for to-day, when the situation will be fully considered. In the meantime the examination in other subjects will go on as usual. It is expected that candidates will be examined in English again.

It is reported that the Mathematics paper has also leaked out, but the University authorities have no information on the matter up till now.

"DAILY POST" OF BANGALORE.

APPLICATION FOR WINDING UP DISMISSED.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

BANGALORE, Mar. 2.

The District Judge of the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore to-day passed orders on the petition presented by Mr. E. Melvyn Smith for winding up of the Bangalore "Daily Post" Ltd. The petitioner was a shareholder to the extent of forty fully paid-up shares and the petition was made in January 1915 under section 162 of the Indian Companies Act. The district judge dismissed petition and ordered each party to bear its own cost.

PUBLIC MEETING

OF THE

Citizens of Bombay

at

The Town Hall on Monday, 5th March, 1917, at 5-45 p.m.

Programme.

Proposed by—Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy.

Seconded by—The Hon. Mr. M. N. Hogg.

I. "That His Excellency the Governor do take the Chair."

His Excellency will address the meeting.

Proposed by Sir Narayen Chandavarkar.

Seconded by Sir Dorab Tata.

Supported by the Hon. Mr. Carmichael.

Supported by Sir Shapurji Broacha.

Supported by Mr. Joseph Baptista.

II. "That this Public Meeting of the Citizens of Bombay welcomes the announcement by the Hon. Sir William Meyer in the Imperial Council of the issue of the Indian War Loan, as another opportunity for demonstrating India's desire and ability to take its full share in the mighty struggle in which this Empire is involved. It desires that every effort be made to enlist the whole hearted support of this Presidency for the Loan, and to explain its financial advantages to all classes of its population.

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Proposed by Sir Stanley Reed.

Seconded by Mr. Chimanlal Setalvad.

III. "That the following gentlemen be appointed to form a general committee to carry out the objects detailed in the preceding resolution":

(Names to be mentioned at the meeting.)

"And that the following gentlemen be appointed members of the Executive Committee:

(Names to be mentioned at the meeting.)

Proposed by the Hon. Mr. Chunilal Mehta.

Seconded by Sir Sassoon David.

IV. "That a hearty vote of thanks be accorded to His Excellency the Governor for having kindly presided at this meeting."

Proposed by Sir Cowasji Jehangir.

Seconded by Mr. Mahomedbhai Currimbhoy.

V. "That a vote of thanks be accorded to Mr. T. W. Birkett, the Sheriff of Bombay, for having convened this meeting."

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"CHRONICLE" DEFAMATION STIT.

HORNIMAN V. SURAJMAL.

HEARING OF APPEAL.

HORNIMAN V. SURAJMAL B. MEHTA.

(Before the Hon. Chief Justice and Justice Sir J. John Heaton.)

Mr. Setalwad with Mr. Desai and Mr. Bahadurji appeared for the appellant while the Hon. the Advocate General with Mr. Inverarity represented the respondent.

Mr. Setalwad resumed his address and said when the court rose on the previous day he was reading from the judgment of the learned judge in the lower court. He said tha the assertion that Bgahwandas was a creature of Surajmal was an inference and not an assertion of fact. Counsel said that the writer of the articles was justified in making that inference under the circumstances revealed. It was true that Surajmal was evading deliberately the answers to questions. Surajmal ought to have been in a position to say whether he had drafted the notice sent with Dada to Da Cunha. The learned judge criticised the word "appropriately" in the article, but the writer had such a respect for the Bench that he said that any observations made by the Bench were "appropriate." "Unanswered" meant "unrefuted." Surajmal had denied the allegations in his examination-in-chief but in cros-examination he destroyed those denials. The writer was perfectly justified in view of the facts on record in saying that Surajmal was deliberately evading to answer questions. When asked whether he remembered writing a draft of a notice for Dada, he said "I dont remember." This remark did not apply to the Gujarathi letter in the case but to the notice alleged to have been drafted by Surajmal for Dada. Counsel argued that it would be a fair comment to make if it was made upon the materials in the pleadings and what occurred in the court and also upon what somebody else said if that was a true information. It was not material whether the fair comments were made upon the "observations" placed before the writer, if the comments could be justified on the pleadings in the suit and what took place in court. The remark about Surajmal paying his own cheque would arise from the construction put on para 4 of the written statement of Dada. The writer was justified in making the comments he did when he saw that Surajmal had forgotten so many things. The writer demanded a further inquiry if the allegations made against Surajmal were true. The learned judge's objection was to the form of the inference and not to the inference itself. He said it would be reasonable to infer from the fact that Bhagwandas had withdrawn the suit that he was apprehensive that Dada would possibly succeed in proving his allegations. The whole objection of the judge in the lower court was to the form of the writer's conclusions and not to the conclusions themselves. Very serious allegations were made and it was to the interest of Surajmal and to the profession to which he belonged that a further enquiry should be invited by Surajmal. The only objection to the expression used by the writer, in the mind of the judge in the lower court, was that the expression was used in very strong language too positive language. The learned judge had said that if he were discharging the function of the jury he might have found that such inferences ought to be withdrawn. So that, the only question was regarding the strong or positive language used in the expressions by the writer of the articles. It was not proved or sought to be proved in the lower court that Mr. Horniman was imbued with any sentiment of malice against Surajmal. Counsel then discussed the law on the question of fair comment citing a number of authorities.

Mr. Strangman said that two pleas were raised in the court below, viz., one of fair comment and the other of the truth of the allegations made against Surajmal. Counsel quoted profusely from the written statement of Dada in Bhagwandas's suit and said that in the lower court an application was made for a Commission, which was refused. The application for a Commission having been refused the defendants in the lower court called Engineed. Counsel here began to read the evidence in the suit against Bhagwandas. Mr. Setalwad protested against and the Court he'd hat the matter was irrelevant. Counsel said that the allegation of the defendant that Surajmal paid his own cheque was incorrect; for it was proved that it was the cheque of Holkar himself. Cousel complained that he felt greatly embrassed because Mr. Setalwad the day before had taken up the plea of fair comment whereas to-day he depended on another plea namely, that of truth.

Mr. Setalwad denied having done anything of the kind.

Surajmal continued Mr. Strangman at the time of the execution of the promissory note for Rs. 3,000, was at Mahableshwar. If the promissory note really belonged to Surajmal he would have kept it. Counsel said Surajmal had no control over his client who had gone to Messrs. Mansukhlal, Hiralal, Mehta and Co. There was a statement that Surajmal was fomenting litigation, which was untrue. No objection was taken to the evidence of Surajmal until Engineer came in the field.

Counsel read correspondence in the suit of Bhagwandas and Dada at great length. Counsel said that Engineer was on the most bitter terms of hostility and Mr. Horniman knew of that fact. The reason of the hostility subsisting between Surajmal and Engineer was that Surajmal had refused to pay Engineer anything more than his salary. So far as these articles were concerned, there was no doubt that Mr. Horniman got the information from the observations supplied by Engineer. The writer, continued counsel, ought to have put in the articles the denials of Surajmal. In the two articles misstatements of facts were made which were not warranted.

A MATTER FOR MOST GRAVE COMMENT.

The Chief Justice: I should have thought that Surajmal finding that his cross-examination was stopped on the Monday ought to have demanded some further enquiry as there were very serious allegations against him.

Mr. Strangman: But how could he do that? He did not control the suit. The plaintiff withdrew it and he was helpless, under what procedure could he have demanded an opportunity to explain or an enquiry? He had denied the allegations.

The Chief Justice: Of course, there is nothing in the Code to provide for such an enquiry, but here was a solicitor of this court who knew that very serious allegations had been made against him and he could have asked for an opportunity to explain them as his cross-examination was stopped. That was certainly a matter for comment.

Mr. Strangman: He went into the box and denied all the allegations. What more could he do

The Court: Surajmal was in an awkwawrd position, and he should have sought an opportunity to clear himself.

Mr. Strangman again asked what Surajmal who was merely a witness in the case could have done.

The Chief Justice: I venture to think that no judge of any court would be willing to give the fullest opportunity to an officer of the court, like a solicitor, to explain his position. He would sympathise with the position of such a solicitor. Surajmal should have asked for the Court's sympathy, if he was maligned in this manner. My experience is that in this court I have known such an enquiry to be held.

Mr. Strangman: That was some years ago. But that was with reference to a matter regarding a case in the court; here the case was over. Can you blame Surajmal for not objecting as your Lordship suggests? What is the position? Surajmal denies all the allegations. Surajmal said "I don't remember if Dada had consulted me about sending the notice." He further said "I did not wwrite the notice on behalf of the defendant." Those were answers to general questions. Then there was a specific question put to him whether he remembered having drafted a notice to be sent with Dada to De Cunha. How can he remember, asked the counsel, about a matter that took place four years ago?

The Chief Justice said that Mr. Surajmal's conduct in allowing the case to be stopped and learning the allegations against him as the matter stood was certainly a matter for the most grave comment.

The further hearing was adjourned till Monday.

CAUSE LIST.

BOARD FOR SATURDAY, THE 3RD OF MARCH, 1917.

BEFORE THE HON MR. JUSTICE BEAMAN

In the Division Court No. 53.

SUITS FOR HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSAL.

LONG CAUSES.

1313-16.—Payne & Co., Allibhai Mehta v. Tullockchand Mamraj a firm, Mulla & Mulla.

1306-16.—Mulla & Mulla, Bunmebai widow v. Amibai & anr. Mulji & Tha.

418-16.—Capttain & V, Mariambibi v. Ahmed Saheb Miya Mulla, Judah S.

941-16.—Bhai K & G, The Pioneer Bank Ld. in Liquidation v. Kirpalsing Pattpatea, Dubash & Co.

1147-16.—Purnanand & Co. Narotam Jetharam Desai v. Sunderji Walji & ors, Hirglal & Co.

1158-16.—Pandia & Co., Vishnu Bala Shinde v. Messrs Tricumji Jiwandas a firm Kanga & S.

1271-15.—Ard H D & Co., Haji Ahmed Haji Hassan Dada v. Gopinath Jevan Kony & ors, D Mantree. For Postponement.

987-15.—Surajmal & Co., Nathmal Chunilal a firm v. Devkisson Chaturbhoy & ors, Kanga & Sayani.

1175-16.—Merwanji K & Co., Sanderdas Balchand & ors v. Gopiram Hajarimal a firm.

1127-16.—Mancher & N, Shamrao Sunderji Chogle v. Anant Kashinath Wagle & anr. Judah & S.

656-16.—Malvi R M & R, Shyamlal Sukhanand & ors v. Chhitarmal Umidsingh & ors.

BEFORE THE HON. MR. JUSTICE MACLEOD.

In the Division Court No. 43.

CHAMBER MATTERS FOR DISPOSAL (IN CHAMBERS.)

In Re Indian Co.'s Act VI of 1882 and in Re the Indian Specie Bank Ltd. (In Liquidation), In person, J Sandars Slater, Official, Liquidator v. Bai Nathabai Fakarbai Con. No. 2053 & ors, Parties concerned, 22-3-17. concerned, 22-3-17.

In Re Indian Co.'s Act VI of 1882 and in Re the Indian Specie Bank Ltd. (In Liquidation), In person, J Sandars Slater, Official Liquidator v. Bai Ambabai Minor Con. No. 96, Parties concerned, 22-3-17.

In Re Indian Co.'s Act VI of 1882 and in Re the Indian Specie Bank Ltd. (In Liquidation), In person, J Sandars Slater, Official Liquidator v. Cawasji B Avarbea Con. No. 624, Parties concerned, 22-3-17.

In Re Indian Co.'s Act VI of 1882 and in Re the Indian Specie Bank Ltd. (In Liquidation), In person, J Sandars Slater, Official Liquidator v. Slantaram G Kulkarni Con. No. 4847, Parties concerned, 22-3-17.

In Re Indian Co.'s Act VI of 1882, and in Re the Indian Specie Bank Ltd. (In Liquidation). Little & Co., J Sandars Slater, Official Liquidator, Applicant v. Haji Alli Mahomed Haji Cassam, Respondent, Smetham B & Co., 26-2-17.

TO SPEAK TO THE MINUTES OF DECREE (IN COURT.

1311-16.—Crawford B & Co. John William Linford v. Jehangir Hormusji Mody, Manu H & Co.

SUITS FOR HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSAL.

LONG CAUSES.

1316-15.—Daphtary F and D, Ramrao Harisschandra Mantri v. Bhagwandas Vithaldas Patil and ors, Chitnis M & K(Patell and Eze, Part heard.

1105-14.—Amin & Desai, Rai Mani alias Premabai widow v. Chaganlal Bhaichand, Motichand & D.

734-12.—In person, The South India Mills Co., Ltd v. Raja Bahadur Sivlal Motilal, Merwanji K & Co.

633-16.—Smetham B & Co., Manilal Laxman Panda v. The Secretary of State for India in Council, E F Nicholson.

765-16.—V[illegible]a & Co., Kaderbhai Fazalbhai [illegible]rm v. Khoja Jusabhai Vellybhai, Kanga & Sayani.

1186-15.—Matu J & M, The National Financing & Comr Corpn Ltd. v. Haji Ahmed bin Haji Mansar Alkari, Moti & D Matu J & M.

1445-15. Unwalla P & P, Abdul Karim Haji Sidick v. Ratna Lala & Co., a firm, Rustomji & G, Un. P & P.

1104-16.—Captain & V., Dadabhoy Harichand a firm v. Maganlal Hurjiwandas, Hiralal & Co.

46-17.—Rustomji & Gir, Yusuf Sulleman v. Ibrahim Sulleman & ors, Nanu H & Co.

BEFORE THE HON. MR. JUSTICE MARTEN.

In the Division Court No. 40.

CHAMBER MATTERS FOR DISPOSAL

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284-16.—Ardesir H D & Co., Amatlal Kalidas v. Haji Moosa Haji Mahomed, 23-2-17.

T & I J 18-16.—Ardesir H D & Co., Kamberalli Abdul Hoosein Lare v. Gowar Begum widow, 26-2-17.

370-15 and 320-16.—Vachha & Co., Nagor Haji Esmail Haji Isaik v. Perojshaw Hormusji Wadia & anr. 26-2-17.

1238-16.—Ardesir H D & Co., Messrs K A Readymoney & Co., v. Kumber Alli bin Aga Abdul Hoosein Lari, 27-2-17.

T & T J, In Re Petition for L/A of the property and credits of Belarming Rozorio Fernandas Ideared.—G B Pandya, Gregar Ferdez Fernando, Petitioner v. Rozaria Encerclandrao widow, Respondent, Citation, 29-1-17.

298-15.—Madhowji K & Ch, Messrs. Vasanji Nussey a firm v. Surji Morarji, Notice 6-2-17.

1003-16.—Dephtary F & D, Santana Meichaldas Remedias v. Idaliva Preciosa Dias widow, Edgelow G W & Co., 26-1-17

862-16.—Surveyor & Co., Tuljaram Gokuldas Dalal v. Tribhowandas Damodhardas Motichand & D, 15-2-17.

1249-16.—Dastur & Co., Ratanal Chunilal Jewellar v. Peny Fardinand Flsher, In person, 17-2-17.

1358-15.—Nanu & Co., Tyabally Shaik Camruddin & anr v. Miya Mahomed Haji Jan Mahomed Chotani, Payne & Co., 19-2-17.

621-16.—Kharas & Co., Krishnaprasad Madhowlal Mehta v. Chunilal Mehta & ors, Edgelow G W & Co., 24-2-17.

774-15.—Judah & Solomon Rajaram Ganooji Karne v. Dinanath Damodhar Muncherkale & anr. Sha & Co., 27-2-17.

O. S. 68-17—Shamrao M & H Yeshwantrao Khanderao and ors v Herabai widow and anr Little and Co.

O. S. 177-17—Motichand and D Chandulal Hargowan and Co., a firm v Thakkar Jamnadas Khetsy.

LIST B (Counsel).

In Re Indian Trusts Act II of 1882—Jehangir M and Somji—In Re Declaration of Trust dated 16th June 1908 made by Abdulla Khaki v Bai Kajibai widow petitioner.

1315-16—Motichand and D—Parmanand Dharji anr Bai Tarveni fidow and ors Pandia and Co.

C. C. 192-17—Patell and Eze. S. John alias John David v Pirojshaw Dhanjishaw Bolton Jehangir and Sons.

150-12—Patell and Eze.—Krishnabai Mahadeo Mohile and ors v Ganpat Mahadeo Mohile and ors Shamrao M and H.

SUITS FOR HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSAL.

LONG CAUSES.

447-16—Payne & Co—Haji Mahomed Mehdi Malekatejar v C Vorhid and Co a firm Mulla and Mulla.

BOMBAY POLICE COURTS.

ILLICIT POSSESSION OF OPIUM.

ACCUSED GOTS 6 WEEKS HARD LOBOUR.

At the Mazagon Police Court, the Second Presidency Magistrate has disposed of a case in which Excise Inspector Hudson charged Ibrahim Ahmedali, a Borah, aged 25 years, with possessing 1¼ lbs. of opium, valued at Rs. 51, without a license, at Matarpakhdi on the 21st February. The accused was convicted and sentenced to six weeks' rigorous imprisonment.

WOMAN TORTURED TO DEATH.

The Deputy Coroner, Mr. A. R. King, concluded the enquiry on Thursday in regard to the death of Taibai, a Hindu woman aged 22, who met her death, it was alleged in a house of ill-fame kept by a Pathan named Miroza, his wife Mariam alias Ganga and their adopted daughter Halima alias Turbai, through torture inflicted by them, on the 20th February. The facts have already been reported. Inspector O'Brien led the evidence, while Mr. Kampani represented the three suspected persons.

After some evidence had been led the jury returned a verict of death from injuries inflicted on the deceased by Miroza, Gunga and Turbai.

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Before the Chief Presidency Magistrate Deputy Inspector Hobson, of the Motor Vehicles Department, charged Bossi with driving his motor car No. 5558 on the Queen's Road on the 20th February between2 2 and 3 p.m. at a greater speed than 20 miles per hour. The accused was fined Rs. 20.

Before the same Magistrate F. Craig was charged with driving his motor-cycle No. 3438 at an excessive speed on the 28th February on the Queen's Road. The accused was fined Rs. 20.

EXCISE PROSECUTION.

Before the Chief Presidency Magistrate at the Esplanade Police Court, Sub-Inspector Gole charged Fakir Mahomed Mohidin, a khalasi, with possessing 12¾ tolas of charas and 3 tolas of ganja on the 28th February. The accused was convicted and fined Rs. 5.

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Before the Chief Presidency Magistrate Sub-Inspector Gole charged Rama Dakoo, a customs' sepoy on Carnac Bunder, with theft of six seers of almond kernels on 28th February. The accused was sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 45 or in default, five weeks' rigorous imprisonment.

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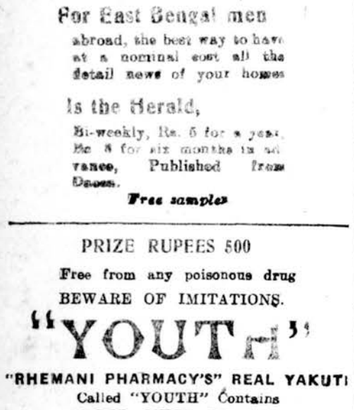
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An Afghan watcher on Erracht estate, Dehiowita, was charged to-day before Mr. Justice Ennis and an English-speaking jury, with Mr. G.F. Fitzroy as Foreman, with the murder of one Selanna, a cooly on the same estate. The accused, who pleaded not guilty, was defended by Mr. C. S. Rajaratnam and Mr. Cox Sproule.

Crown Counsel, in his opening address, said that the accused was a watcher on Erracht estate and deceased was a cooly there. On the morning of the day of the offence the accused went to the cooly lines to hurry up lingerers to work. He succeeded in sending a few off to work and at that juncture the deceased seemed to have come out of her room in search of some fire. The accused addressed her telling her to get to work. Deceased replied to the effect that she worked for six days and intended to rest that day. Accused, it would appear, then, threatened to shoot her unless she went. The accused probably refused to go and accused carried out his threat. Deceased fell down and died on the spot. Two or three coolies then chased the accused and secured him with the gun in his hand. An undischarged cartridge was found in the waist of the accused when he was searched soon after In reply to those facts the accused had made a statement to the effect that he was assaulted by two or three coolies and in the course of the assault the gun fell down. He then ran away and did not know what happened afterwards. There was a great deal of direct evidence that it was the accused who shot the woman. There did not appear to be, sufficient motive for the murder but it was not incumbent on the prosecution to prove a motive for the offence, though the jury, in such cases, would like to have a motive presented. What he (Crown Counsel) would suggest was that the accused was indignant at the woman's failure to comply with his request and in a gust of passion he fired.

SUPERINTENDENT'S EVIDENCE.

Mr. P. M. Daubeny, Superintendent of the estate, cross-examined by Mr. Rajaratnam, said that there had been no disagreement between the accused and the coolies. The accused was a good watcher and had orders from him to bring in all slackers to work and had been doing it ever since he was employed. After the shooting had taken place, he went to the spot and made inquiries. The deceased's husband told him that it was an accident. He had no labour trouble whatever in consequence of the shooting. If the general opinion among the coolies had been that the watcher deliberately shot one of the cooly women, he would have expected a stampede.

THE DEFENCE.

Mr. Rajaratnam in his address for the defence remarked that the only verdict they could bring was on the charge of murder. They could not bring any other verdict as set out by Crown Counsel.

His Lordship said it was open to the jury to bring in a verdict of guilty of a lesser offence if they thought it necessary.

Mr. Rajaratnam maintained that no verdict of a rash or negligent act could be brought on the face of the indictment presented by the Crown.

His Lordship: What is your authority?

Crown Counsel said that if counsel for the defence had raised that objection when the case for the Crown was put before the jury he would have charged the accused with those offences.

His Lordship agreed and wished to see Mr. Rajaratnam's reference.

Mr. Rajaratnam: I cannot find it now. I showed a reference to Mr. Sproule but I am afraid I do not know just now where it is.

His Lordship remarked that there ought to be a different act to bring in a separate charge, but on the same set of acts a different verdict could be returned.

The jury then retired and brought in an unanimous verdict of not guilty of murder but guilty of a rash and negligent act.

His Lordship informed the jury that it must be either rash or negligent, but not rash and negligent.

The jury retired again and brought in a verdict by 6 to 1 of guilty of a rash act.

His Lordship said that on the finding of the jury the accused was guilty of doing a rash act, but taking into account the fact that accused had already been three and half months in jail His Lordship fined him Rs. 100 in default three months' rigorous imprisonment.

A number of Afghans who were in Court eagerly paid the fine.—The Times of Ceylon.

II

INCORRIGIBLE COOLY.

At the Gampola Police Court, before Mr. J. R. Walters, Periatamby, a cooly of Jak Tree Hill, was charged with having neglected his work from December 11th to 16th, by the Superintendent, Mr. W. S. Blackett, who said that accused had been regularly warned by him, the tea-maker and the head kangany for the last three months to attend to his work, but the man appeared to be incorrigible. He was not aware that accused was ill.

The accused, who said that he developed a pain in the neck by carrying tea chests, was after trial, sentenced to ten days' rigorous imprisonment. "Times of Ceylon."

III

One Mr. J. DeMel Superintendent of Paradise Estate in Kuruvita, Ratnapura of which Mr. L. W. A. De Soysa of Alfred House, Colombo, is the proprietor charged one Ramasamy, cooly of the same Estate with quitting service, before the Police Court of Ratnapura. The following are the alleged facts of the case:—The accused pleaded not guilty and stated in his defence that he applied for a Tundu to the Superintendent to enable him to pay his debt and leave the Estate. The Superintendent told his kangany, one Suppramanian, to tie the accused to an orange tree, and accused through fear came to his lines. Later on the said Suppramanian Kangany tied the accused's 2nd wife Ponnamma to a pillar by the hands and hair and assaulted her as well as the accused: the woman Ponnamma for inducing the accused to apply for a Tundu and the accused for asking the Tundu, and both were kept confined in the Estate by force from going and complaining to any one for about a week. Subsequently, the accused and his second wife Ponnamma by some pretext or other induced the said Suppramanian Kangany and the Superintendent to go to Court to get a Court Certificate to the said Poonnamma to work in the Estate as she was without work in the Estate for want of a Court Certificate. The Kangany and the Superintendent consented but he was careful not to take these coolies to the Ratnapura Police Court which is the only Court having jurisdiction to the Paradise Estate Cases, but to Avisawella, as the Kangany was afraid that the coolies might complain to the Ratnapura Police Magistrate and charge him with assault, etc. In Avisawella the coolies refused to go back to the Estate and as they were making arrangements to prosecute the Kangany and the Superintendent, the accused was arrested on a warrant from the Police Magistrate of Ratnapura, in the Court house premises of Avisawella. The Superintendent of the Estate did not give evidence. Only two Assistant Superintendents gave evidence. The Proctor for accused before trial wrote to the proprietor of the Estate to issue a Tundu and get the money and withdraw the charge as the accused has two wives and two children to support and the man was charged falsely firstly because he applied for a Tundu and secondly because he was trying to put the Superintendent and Kangany into trouble for the assault committed by them on him and his wife but the Proctor received no reply. The accused was however convicted and sentenced to a month's rigorous imprisonment without the alternative of a reasonable fine even. Mr. Jayatilleka, Proctor, appeared for complainant. Mr. V. K. Rajanayagam for accused.—"The Hindu."

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SURAT MUNICIPAL NOMINATIONS,

(From our Correspondent.)

Surat is determined. It does not desire the Municipal Commissioner. The emphatic nature of the demand has been made only too evident by the result of the recent general ward elections. The President, whwo has been serving the Municipality for more than a decade, has lost his seat precisely because of his unpopular attitude with regard to the question of the appointment of the Municipal Commissioner. It is expected that when after a year and a half the period of the appointment of the Municipal Commissioner will expire the elected representatives of the people will display the same unequivocal attitude. There is no doubt they shall have to insist on his discontinuance, if they intend to serve, and, are in need of the support of, the people.

The elections are over. The people are now anxious about the nominations. They expect that Government will now put into force the principle enunciated by them and "limit nomination "to a number sufficient to provide for the due representation of the minorities and official experience." There are 10 nominations for the Surat Municipality, out of this 4 are allotted to the officials, viz, the Executive Engineer, the Educational Inspector, the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner and the Civil Surgeon, and the remaining distributed among the non-officials. The following are at present the non-official nominees:—1. Khan Bahadur Dr. Dossabhai Pestenji 2, Rev. Dr. Steele, 3, Mir Masud Alamkhan, 4, Mr. Ranjit Kalabhai, 5, Mr. Shavaksha Khasukhan, 6, Mr. Husseinibhai Ahmedhai. Khan Bahadur Dossabhai has done useful work in the Muncipality and has been a councillor for many years. Rev. Dr. Steele represents the local Presbyterian Union, and Mir Masud Alamkhan is a representative of the Nawab family of Surat-a personage of position and influence. But it is difficult to justify the presence of the last three gentlemen as nominated members in the Municipality. One wonders what interests they are supposed to represent and what influence they are believed to command. It is time Government dealt fairly by the commercial and other interests of the City. A few names may be suggested:—Messrs. Chhaganlal Thakoredas Mody and Jamietram G. Shastri are educationists of experience. Their services may utilised by the School-Board Committee. Mr. Bhagubhai Dwarkadas as Mahajan Sheft has great prestige and influence. Messrs. Thakorebhai Chhaganbhai Popawalla, Tribhovandas Gordhandas Popawalla, Rangildas Ghelabhai Atmaram Bhukhanwalla are shroffs and prominent businessmen. These are only a few names but they serve to indicate how the power of nomination may be exercised more equitably and more usefully in the interests of the City than it has been hitherto.

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SUPER-INCOME TAX BILL

SIR W. MEYER'S STATEMENT.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
DELHI, March 1.

Sir William Meyer next introduced the Bill to impose a tax on income in addition of that imposed by the Indian Income Tax Act of 1886. He said:—

The purpose of the Bill which I have obtained leave to introduce is to impose a tax on income in addition to that imposed by the Indian Income-tax Act of 1886. In my speech this morning introducing the financial statement I have already explained why this additional taxation is necessary and why we propose to raise it by means of a graduated super-tax on income in excess of Rs. 50,000. As I then said the tax now proposed will only be assessable on incomes in excess of Rs. 50,000 and will then be levied at the following rates:—For every rupee of the first Rs. 50,000 of the excess between Rs. 50,000 and 1 lakh 1 anna per rupee; for every rupee of the next Rs. 50,000 of the excess i.e., between rupees 1 and 1½ lakhs 1½ annas per rupee; for every rupee of the next Rs. 50,000 of the excess, i.e., between rupee one and half and two lakhs 2 annas Rs. 50,000 of the excess, i.e., between rupees 2 and 2½ lakhs 2½ annas per rupee; for every rupee of the remainder of the excess, i.e., on everything over rupees 2½ lakhs 3 annas per rupee. I need only make some further remarks as to the manner in which the Bill provides for the actual assessment of the tax.

In the first place, we propose to take as the general basis for the tax the total income received by, or accruing to, an individual taxpaper in a single year. In calculating that income he will have to take into account, besides any salary he may have earned, or the profits of his business, his receipts from dividends of interest on securities, and the super-tax will therefore not be deducted at the source from such dividends of interest. This will avoid inconveniencing the large number of shareholders in companies or holders of Government paper whose incomes are not sufficient to render them liable to super-tax and who would, if deductions at the source were resorted to be put to the trouble of applying for refunds. But if we confined ourselves to taxing the incomes received by individuals, considerable portions of the profits obtained by companies would automatically escape from our net. I refer to such portions of the profits as are placed to a reserve or otherwise withheld from distribution to the shareholders. These sums should obviously be liable to the taxation now proposed as they are to ordinary income-tax. The bill therefore provided for the assessment to super-tax of so much of the income of any company as has not been paid or declared for payment by way of dividends to shareholders. The word "Income" is used advisedly, used in this connection so as to make it perfectly clear that any sums received by a company by way of interest on investments are not exempt from the tax. Similar provisions in the Bill provide for the levy of the super-tax on any portion of the income of firms or Hindu undivided families which is not paid out to a member of the firm or family.

We are allowing assessees in computing their total income to omit from their receipts any profits from agriculture or income from property solely employed for religious and charitable uses and also such portion not exceeding one-sixth of the total income as they may have utilised in the period on which the assessment is based for life assurance payments, or for the purchase of deferred annuities for the benefit of themselves and their families. Interest on stock notes which was declared free of all taxation when the notes were issued can also be deducted from total income. In these respects the exemptions from income tax allowed by the Income-tax Act have been followed. We have adopted as the period on the income of which the assessment to super-tax will be based, the provisions in the Indian Income-tax Act. Relating to assessments under part 4 of the second schedule if the assessee has made up his accounts within the the year prior to that for which the assessment is made, his income for the year ending on the day on which his accounts were made up will form the basis of the assessment. Otherwise, the assesse's income in the previous financial year ending on the 31st March will be taken. This period will apply to income of all descriptions whether from salaries, dividends, interest on securities, or business profits. Clause 5 of the bill gives collectors powers to call for returns of income from any person who in their opinion is liable to pay super-tax and also provides for assessments being made in cases of refusal to furnish the return.

The remaining clauses of the Bill call for little comment. Their general effect is to apply to the assessment and collection of the super-tax, the procedure already in force.

The only remark is that we have thought it unnecessary to permit composition for super-tax over a period of years and that for the convenience of the assessees, we are taking a rule-making power which will enable us to permit payment of the super-tax to be made in suitable instalments.

After rules of business were suspended he moved that the Bill be referred to the Select Committee consisting of Mr. Lowndes, Pandit Madanmohan Malaviya, Sir Fazulbhoy Currimbhoy, Rai Sita Nath Roy, Mr. Brunyate, Mr. Wardlaw Milne, Lieut. Col. Aplin, Mr. Bray, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Davidson and himself.

REVENUE NOT FOR GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

Mr. Sarma said he must apologise for the course taken by him in the first bill and said he thought the provisions of this Bill were also incorporated in the last Bill. He was not going to argue whether or not it would be just for them to have this tax in view of the present condition of the people but he would oppose the present motion on the grounds that the revenue was not for the purposes of the Government of India and there was no deficit which had to be met by extra taxation.

At this stage Mr. Lowndes called the speaker to order and also pointed out that there was no reason to suppose Government would spend income in any illegal way.

Mr. Surma, continuing said, there was absolutely no case made out for the first taxation and hence he would oppose the motion.

Mr. B. N. Basu drew the attention of the Government to the method adopted at present regarding the assessing of income-tax on interest on the Government securities. The present system of the refunding of tax in cases where income was below Rs. 1,000 was working very harshly and vexatiously. By the time a personn got tax refunded he had to spend an amount almost equal to the income itself.

Mr. Brunyate, Secretary, Finance Department, rose to a point of order and said that the Bill dealt with super-tax and not income-tax.

Mr. Lowndes ruled Mr. Basu out of order though he sympathised with Mr. Basu's object.

The motion was then put to the Council and carried.

SIR CHARLES MUNRO ON MESOPOTAMIAN SUCCESS.

Before the Council broke up for the day his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief addressed the Council on the recent developments in the Mesopotamian campaign and said that after heavy fighting, the Turks were compelled to evacuate Kut some three days ago, and our troops were advancing up both the banks of the Tigris. The enemy forces which were badly shattered would reach Bagdad only as a disorderly mob. In their pursuit, our troops had captured many prisoners and these numbered about 6,000 and they have taken possession also of ammunition and arms which though he could not give the exact magnitude of it, was considerable. General Maude had described in highly eulogistic terms the fighting qualities of the troops, British and Indian.

The Commander-in-Chief observed that these successes were achieved against some of the most splendid fighting men and described the Turks as men of wonderful courage and endurance, men who besides fought cleanly, honourably and nobly.

The Council then adjourned to 7th instant.

PRESS COMMENTS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
CALCUTTA, Mar. 2.

The budget has been well received here and terms of new loan considered favourable, particularly the conversion facility. Share markets will, it is expected reach satisfactorily. Owing to absence of excess profits tax prices fell sharply on announcement of budget owing to misconception among Marwaris that super-tax will apply to profits of companies.

Among the press comments the "Statesman" describes the statement as spectacular enough to satisfy critics. A hundred million contribution will be recovered with patriotic enthusiasm. The heaping of taxation on jute is shortsighted but the budget as a whole is a courageous one. It enables India to play a fitting part in the world-war.

The "Englishman" says:—All else fades into relative unimportance besides India's gift of a hundred millions to the Empire. The Government of India has at last come to see the war and its own duty in the right perspective. The contribution is magnificent but by no means more than India can afford. The Government has shown excessive timidity in dealing with land. The war loan is fascinating and it is the duty of everyone to subscribe.

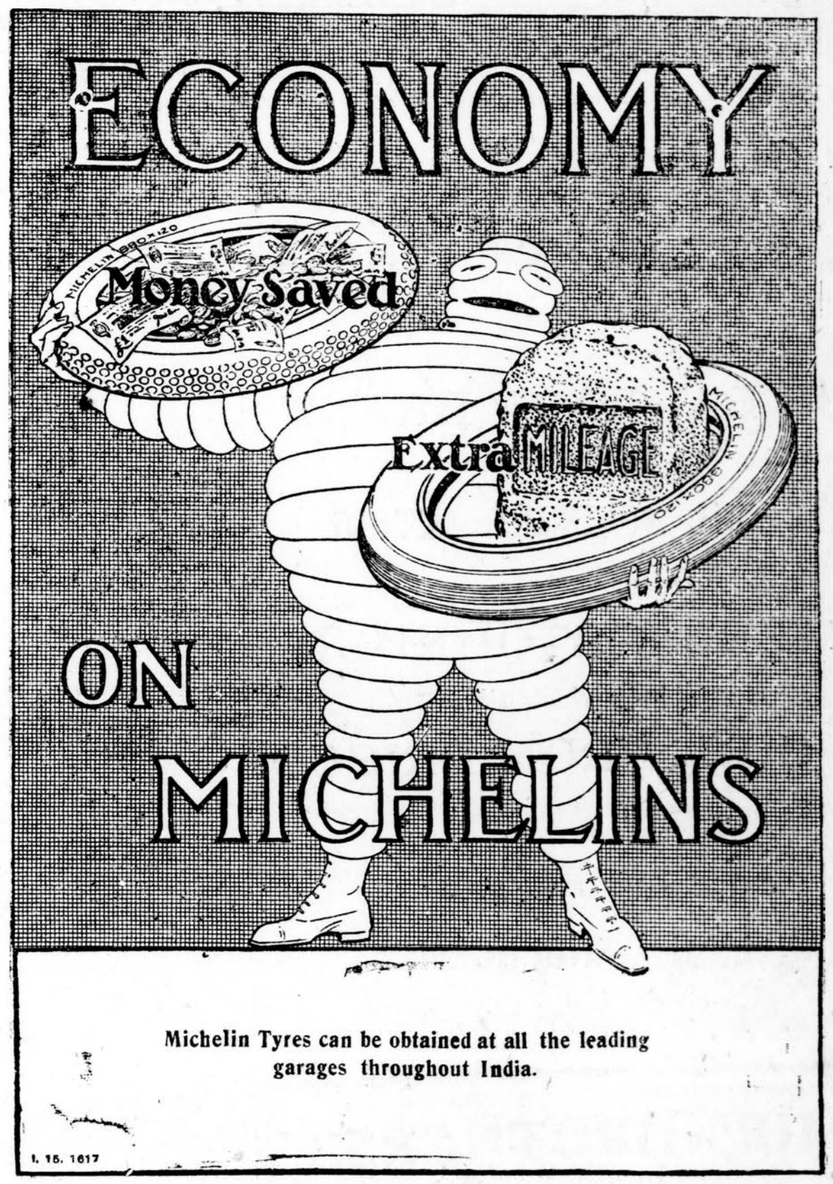
The "Bengalee" is of opinion that both forms of the war loan are attractive and ought to be taken up largely. In view of war stress the budget must be considered fairly satisfactory.

The "A. B. Patrika" writes:—We congratulate the Finance Minister and thank him for avoiding salt and land. We wish he could avoid the railway tax.

LAHORE, Mar. 2.

The "Tribune" says:—Sir William Meyer is entitled to the thanks of the community for setting his face against placing further direct burdens on poorer classes in the shape of salt tax, and famine and patwari cesses, although his conclusions as regards their paying capacity are opposed to facts. The paper considers the speech will be read throughout the country with profound interest and general satisfaction.

The "Punjabee" welcomes the allotment for improving the training and pay of teachers in primary and secondary schools, and referring to the contribution of 100 million pounds to British Government for the cost of war says:—Those who will say even after this that India has not done enough know very little of the extent of India's poverty. To speak frankly we are not without misgiving that the burden which India is undertaking cheerfully is one which she may not really be able to bear.



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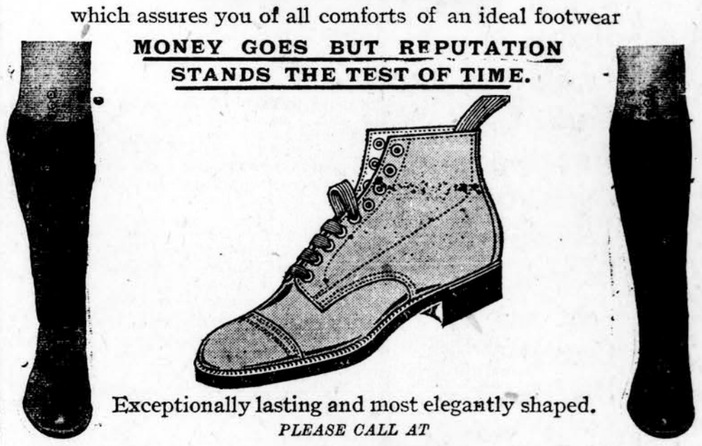

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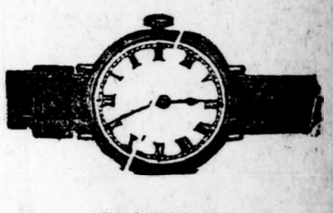

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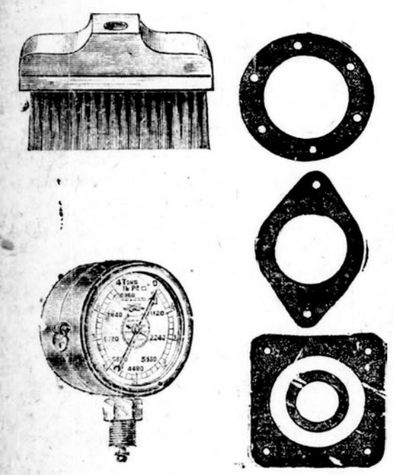

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(By an "Eye-witness.")

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Since we advanced on December 13th to the line we hold now beyond the Shatt-el-Hai, we have been gradually driving the Turk from his positions on the right bank. At the beginning of the operations the enemy held two main trench systems on the right bank. The first of these was the loop of Mahomed Abdul Hassan opposite the Khaderi fort where a bend swings the Tigris round almost due north of Kut; the second is a rough triangle south and south-west of the Kut peninsula with its apex 2,800 yards down the Shatt-el-Hai from the point where that channel leaves the Tigris, and the ends of its base 4,300 yards upstream and 1,100 yards downstream above and below Kut. Mahomed Abdul Hassan, the first of these positions, was finally cleared by us on the morning of January 19th, and we are now slowly forcing the Turk back into a narrowing ring within the second system of trenches on the Hai.

Our advance has been slow, but each step has been sure and deliberate. Operations have not been complicated by the enforced rapidity of movement which made the attempted relief of Kut so costly last January. Then we had to advance long distances over open and unprepared ground without cover and with limited artillery preparation, against well disciplined rifle and machine gun fire. The situation now is very different. For the last six weeks we have advanced our line step by step, established ourselves within easy jumping-off distance, battered the enemy's trenches, and gone in and cleared them after ample bombardment. But it has been far from being a walk-over for the infantry. The Turk in his defence has shown the old Plevna spirit. At Mahomed Abdul Hassan with his back to the swollen Tigris, no bridge, and only a few coracles and pontoons to depend upon for communications, he held his ground stubbornly. Gradually forced back into a narrower area in which our barrage became more and more concentrated, his trenches pounded into a confused shambles by our guns, he emerged and counter-attacked with the utmost gallantry. And he did not quit until we had driven him into his last ditch.

Operations may be said to have begun in the Mahomed Abdul Hassan bend on December 18th when we began to throw our net of trenches round the Turk on a wide front from the Hai to the Tigris. On the night of the 22nd we occupied a point on the Tigris opposite the S. E. end of the Kut peninsula, driving a wedge in between the two enemy trench systems on the right bank. We extended our position here on the 23rd and gradually advanced our line to the Kut East Mounds, the northerly point of which was held by the enemy. Thus we were established side by side with the Turk holding alternate positions on the same bank of the river—Turk, British, Turk, British. One of us had to turn the other out and the odds were against the Turk with his less numerous artillery and precarious communications.

DESPERATE HAND-TO-HAND FIGHTING.

Our infantry which had by then pushed forward to within 300 yards of the enemy attacked on the morning of January 9th. On our left an attack went in and cleared the Kut East Mounds and 600 yards of the river front. Here there was some desperate hand to hand fighting with bayonet and bombs. A certain regiment of the Indian Army saw red and translated their vizion into fact. Two hundred Turkish dead were found within a radius of 300 yards the next morning. To complete our objective on this flank it only remained to bomb up and join hands with a British regiment, who according to the plan would be working down from the captured portion of the Turkish line 400 yards on the right. This regiment had attacked on a 200 yards front and got in with few casualties, close up to our barrage before an enemy head had emerged from behind the parapet. The Turkish trenches had been subjected to more than one intense bombardment during the previous days, and were battered out of shape. They were lightly held and I believe, not by the pick of their troops. These we were to meet later. The garrison of the first line were broken by the tons of metal poured in before the assault. A portion of them surrendered.

COUNTER-ATTACK IN THE NULLAH BY THE ENEMY.

Once in the enemy's first line, the bombing parties worked along the trench on both flanks,—on the left to join up with a party who were bombing up from the river; on the right to extend the position gained another 300 yards and there to form a block, while other parties worked up to points in the brushwood nullahs between the first and second Turkish lines which were to be converted into communication trenches by our Sappers and Pioneers. It was down these nullahs that the enemy counter-attacked in overwhelming force and enveloped a British bombing party. There was a thick fog very favourable to a surprise and the Turks who had ben lying up in the scrub suddenly loomed out of the mist like a football crowd. Our men were pinned into a trench from which it was difficult to use their rifles, and their Lewis gun jammed with dirt, but the small party hang on, cut off from all supports, and fought to a finish with bomb and bayonet until they were practically exterminated; the Turkish dead found on the spot the next morning outnumbered ours. The wave swept on and caught a second party of the same regiment on the flank, driving them back on to the captured trench and was there held up.

In the meanwhile, the Turks were pressing down the trench on our right. It was here that a small working party of Pioneers, a mere platoon under a young subaltern, found themselves with a handful of British troops in the crisis of the action. They held the breach, built up a block and bombed the Turks lustily for hours. In the evening we still held this ground and drove the Turks out of the section of the trench they had recaptured. The day's work had given us the whole of the Kut East Mounds, part of the west side of the Mahomed Abdul Hassan loop, extending by 600 yards the gap we held between the two Turkish positions on the right bank of the river, and 1,000 yards of the first line trench which lay astride the bend. We captured seven officer prisoners, 155 other ranks, two machine guns, three trench mortars and 200 dead were counted in a communication trench 300 yards long.

BACK OF TURKISH RESISTANCE BROKEN.

January 10th was a comparatively quiet day. We advanced our line with little opposition and it seemed that the back of the Turkish resistance was broken. Before evening we had them pinned in a narrow triangle on the river bank and most of us thought it was all over. But the Turk was far from beat. The gallant remnants of the battalions who fought on the 9th had been withdrawn and fresh troops had been ferried over at night to take their place. But owing to the scrub and nullahs and the steep river banks it was difficult to estimate with what force the position was held and the misty mornings hampered aeroplane reconnaissance. At 2 on the afternoon of the 11th we were preparing for the final scene when the Turks counter-attacked on both flanks and penetrated our line. They were held up by our rifle and machine gun fire and as they broke back became a target for our guns. They lost heavily, but it was one of the most gallant sorties ever seen.

In many ways the Mahomed Abdul Hassan bend was a good position to defend. The brushwood and mullahs made for stickly fighting, and we could not mass troops in an area which enfiladed on both sides, north and south, from the other bank of the river. The Turks were keenly alive to this advantage and turned it to account. They also realised that the capture of the loop would enable us to enfilade the Kut peninsula in the same way as well as both banks of the Hai. The Ottoman troops were ordered to hold on and they held on with their backs to the wall in a manner that compelled our admiration. Their position was helpless, we had them concerned. The end was only a question of patience and guns. War is not sport, and it was not worth while wasting troops on frontal attacks. Instead of rushing the position we threw forward our trenches gradually until the area they held became so cramped that our concentrated gun fire made it untenable. Even so there were sorties and counter-attacks and our infantry had to go in with the bayonet again, before the enemy quitted.

The remnants of the force slipped away in their boats and coracles on the night of the 18th 19th. They kept up the ruse of digging until the small hours. We thought they were digging themselves in deeper against our artillery fire. As a matter of fact they were burying their dead. And in doing so they filled up their trench, preparing their cemetry and a strategical line of retreat at the same time so that our infantry had to advance in the morning without cover exposed to the fire from the other bank.

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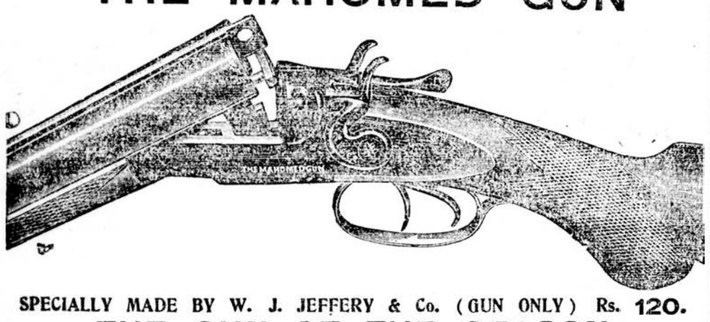

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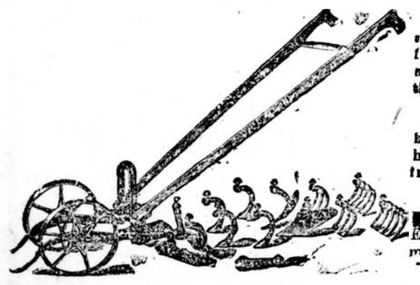

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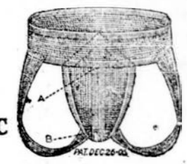

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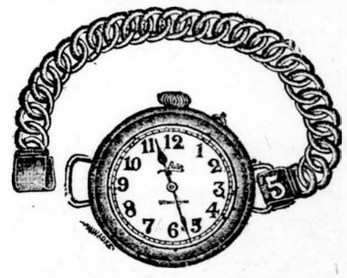

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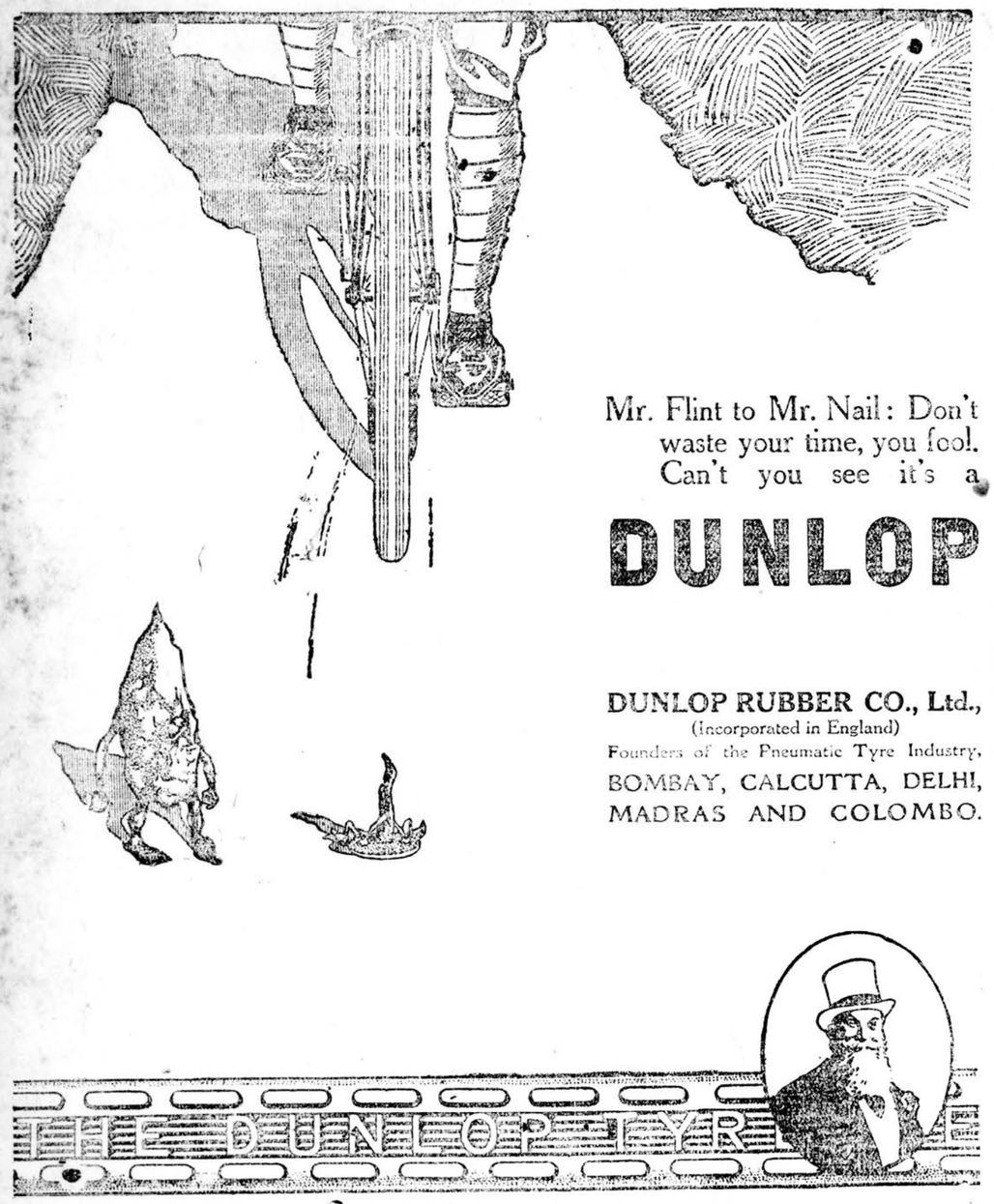

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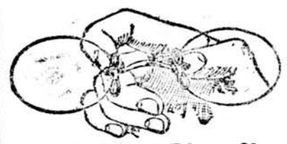

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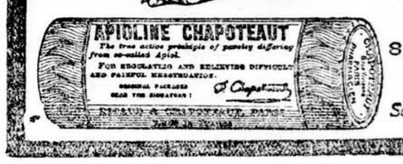

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